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Baptist Record circulation this week is the highest in its one hundred and eighteen years of publication.

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## "A Consuming Passion"

Using as his subject, "A Consuming Passion," Rev. W. L. Meadows lifted messengers of the Mississippi Baptist Convention to spiritual heights as he delivered the annual sermon on Tuesday morning at the First Church, Jackson.

He emphasized:

1. The meaning of compassion;
2. The element of compassion;
3. The cooperation of compassion;

4. The consuming compassion. In slightly condensed form the sermon follows:

Scripture: Romans 10:1-15.

Text: "But when he saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd." Matthew 9:36.

Jesus expressed in a few words his devotion to the Father and his mission to humanity, when he said, "For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me." John 10:10. Jesus repeatedly expressed his concern for the souls of men, and made himself an offering for sin, that men might have the privilege of being heirs of God and joint-heirs with Christ.

Christian Religion is designed to invest the human heart with power to overcome the baneful in-



REV. W. L. MEADOWS

fluence of sin, and also to provide the heart a new experience that implies an abiding consciousness of the presence and power of the Holy Spirit. Christian Religion, therefore, is not a negative proposition, but it is a positive affirmation.

When Jesus said, "Ye are the salt of the earth," "Ye are the

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## What's Your Favorite?

Various people have verses in the Bible which they consider their favorite. The Baptist Record plans to have a weekly feature entitled, "My Favorite Bible Verse." The first one to be used will be furnished by the editor. All our readers are invited to send their favorite verse.

Please do not merely name the location of your favorite verse. If you send your favorite verse, these are the rules:

1. Mark at the top of the page, "My Favorite Verse."
2. State where the Scripture is to be found.

3. Do not quote more than one verse.
4. Do not send a second favorite, either with the first one or at a later date. The Baptist Record has more than 300,000 readers and even if each reader sends one many of us would be dead before all of them could be printed at the rate of one a week.

5. Copy the verse. Tell what version of the Bible is being used. By that is meant if it is the King James Version, the Revised Version, the American Standard, etc.

Mail your favorite verse to the Baptist Record Editorial Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

## "Progress" Is Prominent In State Board Report

### Department Highlights Featured; Dr. Storer Sounds Note Of Optimism

State Mission Night Tuesday evening was declared a high hour for the Convention when the Convention Board report was adopted, the State Mission program was presented and Dr. J. W. Storer, president of the Southern Baptist Convention brought the service to a close with a message on "The Persistent Earth."

Special music was rendered by the Mississippi College Choir under direction of Prof. E. N. Elsey.

The State Mission program was presented in a most unique way, the Convention Board members themselves presenting the reports instead of the Department heads.

### FAN MAIL PROVES NEED OF RADIO HOUR

"I am sending an extra dollar this month. I sold a dollar's worth of plums and I thought the best thing I could do with it was to send it to the 'Baptist Hour' and maybe it would save some lost soul," signed: a friend, Barnett, Mo.

Is there any doubt possible, in a paragraph like this, that here is a Christian who feels that every means possible should be used to bring the lost to Christ? Here are others of the many wonderful testimonies to the Southern Baptist radio ministry:

"We listen and enjoy your preaching, as the only preaching we get to listen to is on the radio. So you see our service means much to us," from a patient, State Hospital, Morgantown, N. C.

Not all are able to attend church services of their choice on Sunday, a listener in Chunchula, (Continued on Page Two)

### SBC College Enrolment Up Over Nation Enrolment

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) — College enrolments for the current school year throughout the nation will reach a total about 3.5 per cent above those of last year, it was estimated by the United States office of Education in October.

Meanwhile, fall enrolments of regular students in the fifty Southern Baptist colleges totaling 31,702 are 10.2 per cent above those of October, 1953, according to R. Orin Cornett, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Education Department. (Continued on Page Two)

The use of posters helped to make the presentation more effective.

A feature of the program was the distribution of the attractive folders showing the record of the 100 leading churches.

The figures on the highest 25 are carried elsewhere in this week's Record.

Directing the program was Dr. Chester L. Quarles, state executive secretary-treasurer.

The Convention Board report was presented by Rev. J. R. Davis, New Albany, president.

Scripture was read by Rev. Dan Morton, pastor, Calvary Church, Greenwood.

The feature address of the evening was delivered by Dr. J. W. Storer, president of the Southern Baptist Convention and pastor of the First Baptist Church, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

"Two contrasting forces," said Dr. Storer, "possess us. (a) a mood of despondency and cynicism and (b) a mood of faith and courage." He said the first one possesses a great portion of today's period. "And," he continued, "there is much to be said that encourages such a mood."

He cited the fact that enemies nine years ago are being courted as allies today. Other favoring factors are excavations revealing civilization reaching their heights and becoming forgotten rubble.

On the optimistic side he reminded that if evil and pessimism be persistent, so is God.

Continuing Dr. Storer stressed the note of confidence saying: "Throughout the Old Testament (Continued on Page Two)

## A Catechism Of Bible Teaching

By DR. JOHN A. BROADUS

Lesson XIV. Imitation of Christ

1. Did the Saviour live a real human life? Yes, the Saviour lived a real human life, but without sin of any kind.

2. Was he tempted to sin? He was tempted in all points just as we are, but he always overcame the temptations. Heb. 4:15.

3. Is it the duty of Christians to imitate Christ? Yes, Christ has left us a beautiful and perfect example, which we ought to imitate. (Continued on Page Two)

## Convention President Urges Baptist Follow Old Paths

JACKSON — Emphasizing our need to seek the "Old Paths" and stay therein, Dr. John E. Barnes, Mississippi Baptist Convention president, in his address to the Convention at its opening session here Tuesday cited Jeremiah 4:16 as a tried, tested and true road map for Christians everywhere.

Dr. Barnes emphasized the fact that Jeremiah urged his people 1. to stand ye in the ways and see; 2. consider where they were going; 3. ask for the old ways that lead to the place of prayer, that lead to the Book, to the church.

In closing Dr. Barnes urged Mississippi Baptists to walk in those paths as God's guarantee for peace, joy and success.

Slightly condensed the address follows:

There is a striking comparison in the world of our day and in the days of Jeremiah. War clouds were hanging over the city of Jerusalem, even as they are hovering on the horizon of the world today. The Lord through Jeremiah told him that it was because of certain sins that Jerusalem was in danger. Because of these sins God's judgement was spoken against Jerusalem. Destruction was predicted by an enemy from the North.

The world today is in much the same condition. In spite of the widespread distribution of Bibles, God's Word is still neglected. Covetousness is seen on every (Continued on Page Eight)

# Remember The Baptist Orphanage

## By Making A Liberal Thanksgiving Love Offering



**"Progress" Is**

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There is the dominate note of confidence in 'Immanuel. God be with us.' I think that is the meaning of the 4th person in David's vision of the fiery furnace, and I am sure it is the meaning of the verse in Psalm 110. 'He shall drink of the brook in the way, and then pass on with lifted head.' And surely that is the meaning of the resurrection, for out of the darkness of that grave came forth the light which can never be extinguished. He died for our sins. He arose for our justification. Let us then find in the persistence of God a pull of divine gravity which lifts beyond all the strength of evil to drag down. If we do, we shall be able to say, 'I can do all things through Him who strengtheneth me.'

"Now along with these two facts there is a summons, and perhaps that is the point for emphasis in this Convention as well as in our individual lives. Namely, there is a summons to each of us. What shall be our part in this conflict of the ages in which we are permitted for a more or less space of time to participate. Shall we be content with the role of spectators and commentators on the condition of the world? I cannot see how any of us, realizing at least in part what has been done for him through the grace of God and that which has been invested in his life by the mercies of God, can fail to see that along with these great lifts come commensurate responsibilities. For our own sakes, of course, we must fight the downward pull of this persistent earth. No heart is pure which is not passionate, no virtue safe which is not enthusiastic. And for the sake of Him whose we are and whom we serve, we must throw ourselves into the battle against evil, remembering that He said, 'he that is not for me is against me.' And 'if any man would be my servant, let him follow me,' though the fight be fierce and orders heavy.

"To that summons let us give ourselves as we have never before, in order that we might redeem the time because the days are evil."

—BR—

**Enon (Clay) Progresses**

Enon Church in Clay County has made considerable progress in the last few years. Last year they painted the floors, bought rubber carpet-runners, bought Venetian blinds for the auditorium, built concrete steps, paid for a Butane gas system, and built a new cemetery fence. They also more than doubled the number of subscriptions to the Baptist Record.

Only in recent years has the church gone from quarter-time to half-time services, and in doing so have increased the pastor's salary from \$100 per year to \$960 per year! The 84-member church (with approximately 32 active members) has voted to contribute \$150 to the Cooperative Program next year.

Pastor W. E. Foster is a native of Cumberland and has attended Mississippi College. He is married and the father of two children. He also preaches half-time at Montpelier Church.

**Miss. College Gets \$30,000 More**

Shown above is Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, presenting to Dr. D. M. Nelson, Mississippi College president, a check for \$30,000. According to Convention action, up to \$150,000 above the regular budget of \$1,250,000 (for the Convention year) was to go to the capital needs of the four colleges supported by Mississippi Baptists. The amount received was slightly more than \$150,000 more than the budget and Dr. Quarles presented Mississippi College's share during chapel exercises a few days ago.

This is in addition to the \$98,462.71 which Mississippi College received through the regular percentage distribution of the Cooperative Program funds. Other colleges benefiting from the capital needs budget and the amount they receive are: Clarke College \$40,000; William Carey College, \$20,000; and Blue Mountain College, \$30,000.

**SBC College Enrollment**

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Education Commission. This is an increase of 12.7 per cent in the twenty-one junior colleges and 9.6 per cent in the twenty-nine senior colleges. Enrolments in Southern Baptist seminaries increased 4.0 per cent, while those of the academies and Bible Schools combined decreased 4.5 per cent.

"It is safe to say that one factor in this increase of enrolments was the first annual Convention-wide emphasis on Christian education, April, 1954," Cornett said.

**Rev. J. D. Thompson Resigns As Missionary**

Rev. J. D. Thompson, associational superintendent of missions for Prentiss county the past several years, has resigned that post and is now available for supply work or the pastorate.

The work on Prentiss county showed a steady growth under his leadership.

His previous pastorates were: Booneville First; Verona and Plantersville; and Sheffield, Ala., First.

**Egypt Church Leads In Per Capita Gifts To Cooperative Program**

According to figures just released by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary and Treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, Egypt Church in Chickasaw County led Mississippi Baptist Churches in per capita giving through the Cooperative Program during the past associational year.

The church averaged \$28.48 per member. Rev. Leslie Dodson is the pastor.

The four next highest per capita givers are: Calvary (Tupelo), Rev. W. L. Day, pastor, \$22.57; Grenada, First, Dr. J. W. Landrum, pastor, \$18.13; Carthage, Rev. Troy Prince, pastor, \$17.67, and Fifteenth Avenue, Meridian, Dr. Jack Southerland, pastor, \$17.39.

The next 20 churches are listed in order below:

6-Canton, First—Madison	15.86
7-West Point, Calvary—Clay	14.91
8-Picayune, First—Pearl River	14.86
9-Holly Springs, First—Marshall	14.45
10-Kewanee — Lauderdale	13.76
11-Coldwater — Tate	13.03
12-Trinity — Gulf Coast	12.98
13-New Albany, First—Union County	12.44
14-Jackson, Calvary—Hinds	12.26
15-Wiggins — Lebanon	11.99
16-Gulfport, First—Gulf Coast	11.61
17-Hazlehurst, First—Copiah	11.60
18-Moss Point, First—Jackson	11.58
19-Monticello — Lawrence	11.46
20-Berwick — Mississippi	11.37
Meridian, First—Lauderdale	11.37
21-Yazoo City, First—Yazoo	11.33
22-Quitman, First—Clarke	10.63
23-Riverside — Jackson	10.58
24-Jackson, Daniel Memorial—Hinds	10.40
25-Columbus, First Lowndes	10.33

**Fan Mail Provides**

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Ala., writes: I do enjoy your messages so much. They lift me up before I go to Sunday school and church so I am able to get more out of the message of my pastor. I am praying for the Baptist Hour."

In the first nine months of 1954, the staff of the Radio and Television Commission, which produces the Baptist Hour each week under the direction of Rev. Paul M. Stevens, received over twenty-thousand dollars, cards, and messages, commenting on the effectiveness of sermons heard over nearly 400 radio stations.

Surveys estimate the "Baptist Hour" has an audience potential of more than five million souls, and known listening population of three and a half million. And if there is but ONE in the entire radio audience unsaved—this ministry is vital.

—BR—

**A Catechism**

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late. I Pet. 2:21; I Cor. 11:1.

4. How may we hope to imitate Christ? We may hope to imitate Christ by the help of the Holy Spirit. Luke 4:1.

5. What example did the Saviour set as to obeying parents? The Saviour did as his parents directed, and "was subject unto them." Luke 2:51.

6. What example did he set as to the Scriptures? The Saviour attended a Bible class, and had great knowledge of the Scriptures even when a child. Luke 2:46, 47.

7. Did He use the Bible when tempted or suffering? Yes, the Saviour quoted the Bible three times against the tempter, and twice while on the cross.

8. What is his example as to public worship? Our Lord's custom was to go into the synagogue on the Sabbath day and worship. Luke 4:16.

9. What example did Christ set as to private praying? Christ prayed often and much, sometimes through a whole night.

10. What example in doing good to men? Jesus all the time "went about doing good." Acts 10:38.

11. What example as to the love of enemies? Jesus prayed for the men who were crucifying him, 'Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.' Luke 23:34.

12. What example as to loving Christians? Christ laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren. 1 John 3:16; John 13:34.

13. What is our highest hope for the future life? "We shall be like him." 1 John 3:2.

**ADVANCED QUESTIONS**

(a) Which books of the Old Testament did the Saviour quote when tempted or suffering? In the great temptation Christ three times quoted Deuteronomy (8:3; 6:13, 16) and on the cross he twice quoted the Psalms (22:1; 31:5).

(b) Did he use the Old Testament Scriptures on other occasions? Yes, Christ often quoted Scripture to convince the Jews and to instruct his disciples.

(c) Can you mention some special occasions on which Jesus prayed? Luke 3:21; 6:12; 11:1; John 17:1; Matt. 26:39, 42, 44.

**Counselor's Corner**

BY DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind."

for the Baptist Record.

**THE RIGHT TO RESIST****Question:**

Our pastor said recently that a member of a Baptist church has "no right to resist a decision made by the body, except by withdrawing from its membership."

Is this parliamentary law or Baptist doctrine according to your understanding?

**Answer:**

When a Baptist church begins debating and looking up parliamentary law it usually means that it has turned from love to hate, and from good-will to strife.

I believe I would withdraw from a church if I could not accept a majority of opinion. You may not agree with it. In fact, the majority may be wrong, often is. But common sense, democratic experience and the scripture indicate that group opinion must be accepted in the Christian community. (See Matt. 18:15-17).

The pastor's words, "resist the decision," bothers me. If he meant that the individual does not have the right to lobby and work up pressure groups, or try to bulldoze by fiery speeches, or in some way threaten the church, I agree with him one-hundred per cent. But a member is not required to endorse, or support, or agree with every action of the church.

Usually it is not a question of 'rights' in a Baptist church. We either love and act Christlike, or we do not. When we love we are humble enough to go along with the majority. Baptist churches operate on love or they fail!

(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

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## Messengers Should Report To Church Upon Their Return

One of the purposes of a pastor's attendance report the State Convention is that of returning to his church or church field and making a report.

The Baptist Record each year urges the pastors who attend to return and make a complete, factual report of the Convention to his church.

In most cases the churches send their pastors and they in turn should expect a report.

The State Convention each year is one of the most important events in the life of the denomination and it is well for the membership of the churches to keep informed of what is done.

Further the Convention is composed of messengers from the various churches and the churches are thereby deeply concerned with all denominational developments.

The Baptist Record of course each year carries a complete report of the convention but that will not take the place of a fresh, live report from the pastor or from other messengers who may have attended.

—BR—

## Blessings On The Brotherhood

When men are organized they find opportunities for service. The Brotherhood develops men spiritually; it promotes a stronger fellowship among men and enlists many in church work who were not interested before; it "joins men together in Christian endeavor."

Mississippi men can well be proud of the Brotherhood Rally held in Jackson November 15. Those having part in the inspiring, informative program were Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Virginia; Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, pastor, Calvary Church, Jackson; Miss Edwina Robinson, State WMU Secretary; W. R. Roberts, State Brotherhood secretary; Rev. Schuyler Batson, Bay St. Louis; Rev. Otis Seal, Itta Bena; Rev. Joel Ray, State RA Secretary; Dr. W. J. Isbell, Alabama. The Mississippi College choir brought special music.

The work of the Brotherhood in Mississippi has made commendable progress since the beginning of the state-wide program in 1945. In 1947 W. R. Roberts became State Brotherhood Secretary. The number of Brotherhoods has grown from 53 in 1945 to 705 in 1954. Mr. Roberts and his co-workers and his host of men are to be congratulated on the fine work of his department and the work they did in planning and promoting the

## Brotherhood Rally.

The Baptist men are the "man-power of the churches." The objective of the Brotherhood is to enlist and train these men in Kingdom service. And since the Royal Ambassadors have been placed under the leadership and "watch-care" of the Brotherhood, there are thousands of boys, too, to be enlisted in Kingdom service. What could be more important and challenging! "The Kingdom of God waits on the consummation of the task. God bless our men and the Brotherhood."

—BR—

## Consider Others

Editor B. H. Duncan of the Arkansas Baptist quotes a messenger to their last State Convention as saying, "I think a reprimand is in order for any and all preachers who 'visited' in the vestibule of First Baptist Church in Little Rock during our State Convention. The afternoon session of the Convention could not be heard in the main auditorium because so many men and a few women didn't care enough about the Lord's business to listen to the reports."

We have heard like observations by many messengers to Mississippi State Conventions. It is true that one of the main values of our State Convention is the fine opportunity for fellowship, but the time for fellowship is not during the sessions and in the vestibule. We should visit, shake hands, swap experiences, etc., between sessions and not during them.

It is all right to visit and fellowship, but do it between sessions and if we just MUST do a little visiting, don't do it in the vesti-

bule. Often we have been disturbed as we sat in some rear seat unable to hear the speaker because so many speakers were competing with him. The competitors were in the vestibule and each one making a little noise totalled a lot of noise.

Let's consider the other fellow.

—BR—

## Visible Proof That Coop Program Pays

On another page is a photo showing Executive-Secretary, Dr. Chester L. Quarles, presenting to Dr. D. M. Nelson, president of Mississippi College a \$30,000 check which was Mississippi College's share of the Cooperative Program receipts over the regular budget of \$1,250,000. The other colleges received similar checks as per the agreed-on distribution.

This is more evidence that it pays to stick to the Cooperative Program.

We doubt that all our colleges could have raised \$150,000 in special campaigns. But by emphasizing the Cooperative Program, Mississippi Baptists did and will do it again if the Cooperative Program is not hurt and hindered by various special appeals.

We do not DENY the right of any Baptist to designate any funds but we do AFFIRM the undeniable fact that we do better, get more money, and have less adverse feeling by sticking to the Cooperative Program.

By majoring on the Cooperative Program everybody gets a fair share. By majoring on special appeals, some get more than others who have equally pressing needs and many givers get a bad taste in their mouths and sometimes



paralysis in their pocketbook hand.

—BR—

## Christmas Gift

We suggest that nothing would be more suitable as a Christmas gift for that Baptist friend than a years' subscription to the BAPTIST RECORD.

Such a gift will, in the coming year, offer a weekly reminder of your thoughtfulness. There will be pages of inspiration and information of interest to every Baptist and every Christian. Outstanding writers of our denomination contribute to the paper as well as those charged with denominational leadership.

The BAPTIST RECORD will make an ideal Christmas gift.

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—BR—

## Our Readers Write

### SEEKS INFORMATION

By DR. T. J. DE LAUGHTER,

Pastor, First Baptist Church, Pascagoula

Our state legislature has voted to submit a proposal to the voters of the state on December 21 regarding the abolition of the public school system. This is looked upon as a last-resort measure. With a desire to have more information with regard to the problems faced if such a measure should be voted, someone far more intelligent than I am should undertake to answer certain questions that are being asked with regard to this measure. I, therefore, have listed in this paper a number of questions which have been suggested by various people who have given some serious thought to this vital matter. The Jackson County Baptist Pastors' Conference asked that I have these things put in writing and send them to the Baptist Record for publication.

1. What will the mechanics of the new school program be in the event public schools are abolished?

2. In connection with question No. 1, (Continued on Page Four)

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**"A Consuming**

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light of the world." He was speaking in terms of Christian potentials. For in the same connection he spoke of the worthlessness of salt that had lost its usefulness and of the uselessness of a light put under a bushel.

Perhaps the great danger of Christian Religion today is not lack of organization, nor lack of building, nor lack of members, nor lack of money, but lack of love for lost people. One of the greatest hindrances to Christian progress today is complacency. Complacency among church members means a complacent church.

**1. The True Meaning of Christian Compassion.**

Compassion literally means love on fire; feeling with and for others; warm and tender emotions; sympathy for others to the extent of suffering. Many leaders today discredit and discount emotions, feelings, and unusual devotions. Some think that all such indicate weakness. Christianity makes its appeal not only to the intellect, but also to the emotions. It is a religion of experience and feelings.

The great trouble with the priest and with the Levite was not so much their hatred for the poor man who had been beaten and left half-dead nor that they despised him, but they did not care.

Many are obsessed with great ambition and aspirations, akin to that of the mother who requested the Master to give the most honorable positions to her two sons. There are those obsessed with love of power, love of prestige, love of position, love of possessions, love of popularity, and the love of personal promotion. All of these have their origin, aim, and end in selfishness.

The language may be beautiful, the diction may be entirely correct, the gifts may be large, and the sacrifices may be great, but if there is no love, it is like "a sounding brass or a tinkling cymbal."

There is no substitute for Christian compassion for lost souls.

**II. Compassion is an essential element in Christian service:**

Genuine compassion stems from an experience and association with Jesus, even as Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, who was with

**HOLLY GROVE LICENSES JOHN DAVID KYZAR**

John David Kyzar was recently licensed to the gospel ministry by Holly Grove Church in Simpson County.

The son of Terry Kyzar of Braxton, John is now a student at Mendenhall High School.

Rev. Robert F. Tucker is the pastor at Holly Grove.

Jesus only one day, "He first findeth his own brother, Simon, and saith unto him, we have found the Messiah, which is, being interpreted, the Christ, and he brought him to Jesus." John 1:40-42. We must also recognize the depravity of the human soul. We live in a world of sin, sorrow, sadness, and death, and know that there is not a spark of divine in the natural man. There is no fire that may be rekindled nor fanned into flame. "Without shedding of blood is no remission." Hebrews 9:22.

The Modernists are saying, "There is nothing wrong with the world that education cannot correct." Saying the processes of education and culture and refinement will eventually lead us out of the woods. There are those who think today that our greatest trouble is ignorance. "Knowledge is not the wing wherewith we fly to heaven."

Our big business in this world, is to win the lost to Christ. We must first find the lost, know the lost, and love the lost if we are to win the lost!

Too many people are like Zedek's son, Ahimaaz, who did outrun Cush in his haste to report to King David. He arrived all out of breath to report that he bore no tidings, and his only report was, "I saw a tumult, but I knew not what it was." 2 Samuel 18:29. Too many are like the people "who heard a great noise, but failed to hear the voice."

Someone asked Wendell Phillips if he had ever consecrated himself to the Lord. He replied, "Yes, when I was fourteen years of age

I heard Lyman Beecher preach on the theme, "You belong to God" and I went home and to my room, locked the door, threw myself on the floor, and prayed, "O God, I belong to thee."

**III. Christian compassion in co-operative effort:**

"We are laborers together with God," I Corinthians 3:9, is another way of saying that we are identified with God and with His Cause. This relationship brings man into a great fellowship in service with God. Kingdom building is dignified labor. Our concern for lost souls grows out of God's love and program.

Man is dependent upon God for wisdom, strength, and power to perform. A church is a group of baptized believers organized for the purpose of carrying out the Lord's program of work. The Master said, "Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest." John 4:35.

We have programs, plans, and outlines for the promotion of our work. However, we can never take this world for Christ by any sort of organization, plan or program alone. "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it." Psalm 127:1. Jesus said "For without me ye can do nothing." John 15:5. That promise, however, is contingent upon our doing what he said. Evangelism waits on Christian compassion; classes wait for compassionate teachers; many churches are waiting for compassionate pastors; gaps in missionary ranks are waiting for compassionate souls; Missions waits for compassionate hearts in liberal giving. Our Great Cooperative Program is the result of Christian Compassion. It is the greatest mission program we have ever known. People with a great common interest have found a great program that provides for all of our agencies and institutions in a promotional program.

When Jesus examined Simon Peter, before issuing to him specific orders he used one simple, straight-forward question, "Lovest Thou Me—more than these?"

**IV. Consuming compassion:**

Someone has said, "As long as the church is one of many institutions, she will have her little day and die, but as soon as the church

**OAKLAND HEIGHTS LICENSES MINISTER**

Pictured is Rev. Cecil L. Mulloy who was recently licensed to the Gospel Ministry by the Oakland Heights Church, Meridian.

Mr. Mulloy is a Photographic Technician, stationed at Key Field, Meridian.

He is a student at the Meridian Junior College, but plans to enter Mississippi College in the fall of 1955 to continue his ministerial studies.

gets the spirit of Jesus Christ until the world thinks she has gone mad, then we may be on the highway to capture this world for Christ."

Our compassion will be in proportion to our submission to the Will of God, as Moses stood before God in the breach, to turn away His wrath lest He should destroy the people.

Dr. Jowett said, "If the church would be pure the church must be passionate."

Whitfield preached in Boston. One pastor said, "After Whitfield preached, more people came to him during one week in deep concern about their souls than in twenty-four years of his ministry."

We must see people as Jesus saw them, know them as Jesus knew them, love them as Jesus loved them. He saw their world falling in on them; saw their little ones perishing; saw their enemies digging ditches around them.

John Knox in his compassion said, "O God, give me Scotland, or I die."

David Livingston in his compassion said, "O God, heal this ever-breeding sore of benighted Africa."

Henry Martin, who landed on a foreign Mission field said, "Now, let me burn out for Christ."

"The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up."

Paul said, "Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved."

**Man Of Distinction**

Here's more help for the liquor industry in presenting all sides of the fact that history does make not only "men of distinction" but "women of distinction."

A recent issue of the Jackson Daily News tells about a 29-year-old pilot who told in harrowing detail how a whiskey-drinking blonde went berserk in his private plane and tried to jump out 8,000 feet over Philadelphia.

Louis Phillips, Jr., said the woman scratched and bit him, tore off his earphones and then pushed herself out of the cockpit door up to her hips. She began screaming and he had to "rabbit-punch" her on the back of the neck twice to quiet her.

"Things went along swell until we started hitting fog between the Delaware River and north Philadelphia," he said. "Then she took out a bottle and started drinking. I asked her to put it away but she wouldn't. I saw the bottle later. It was a fifth and half-empty."

In this case whiskey didn't make a "man of distinction", but a "woman of distinction" and almost a "woman of extinction."

**—BR—  
GLEN ALLAN ADDS 17 IN REVIVAL MEETING**

The Glen Allan Church held a revival meeting October 31 through November 7.

Rev. O. B. Beverly, pastor of the Woodville Church was the evangelist. Rev. Henry Keahey, pastor of the Mt. Olive Church, Crossett, Arkansas led the singing. His wife played the piano. Both Mr. Keahey and his wife brought messages in song; duets and solos.

There were seventeen additions to the church, ten by baptism and seven by letter. There were more than a hundred rededications. One surrendered for full time Christian service—Gwendolyn Cooper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cooper. (Mr. Cooper is one of the deacons.)

The pastor, Rev. James Lawrence, hopes soon to see the establishment of mission Sunday school work in areas where it is needed.

**Our Readers Write**

(Continued From Page Three)

is it good business to circulate signed blank checks (figuratively)? That is, to abolish our present system without a definite program as to the future of our schools.

3. What will happen to money being given to public schools in Mississippi by the Federal Government for maintenance and operation?

4. What will happen to money given to the public schools of Mississippi by the Federal Government for school building construction?

5. What will happen to money being given to schools by the vocational department for vocational education (these funds are federal and state funds)?

6. In the event public schools are abolished, can the present per capita cost of education in Mississippi be increased by the state?

7. How can corporations be taxed for the support of private schools?

8. How can any property be taxed for the support of private schools?

9. What will become of sixteenth section lands, revenues from which can be used exclusively and only by public schools?

10. In the event public schools are abolished and private individuals buy or lease school properties, will these properties be subject to ad valorem taxation?

11. Will the abolition of public schools result in a return to the days of 1750 and the days of the academy? During this time education was for the masses instead of for the masses.

12. If the public schools are abolished will Negro schools, established as private schools, be under white administration or Negro administration?

13. If public schools are abolished and private schools are established, how can sectarian teaching be prevented?

14. If public schools are abolished and private schools organized, how can the people have any control of such private schools?

15. If private schools are established

the properties being leased or bought by individuals, how could we prevent integration of the races in these private schools if the owner or lessee desires that both races attend his school?

16. If public schools are abolished, how can we be assured of a great school system? What will keep various schools in a cooperative, helpful relationship?

17. If public schools are abolished and private schools established, who will decide on the vital matter of curricula?

18. If public schools are abolished and private schools established, what sort of educational standard will be set for teachers in the various schools? What salary scale?

19. If public schools are abolished and private schools established, who would have control of the private school?

20. If public schools are abolished and private schools established, how will they be supported? Will tax money be allocated to the individual pupils instead of the school as a whole?

21. If public schools are abolished and private schools established with tax

money being designated for the individual pupils that will keep pupils in religious or church schools from receiving their share of such tax money?

22. If public schools are abolished and private schools established, what will become of federal and state funds that are now being used in the lunch program and to furnish textbooks for the various schools?

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**THEY LIKE THE BAPTIST RECORD**

We appreciate the Baptist Record and the contribution it makes to the Baptist Program in Mississippi. We appreciate also your untiring efforts, for we are aware of the fact that the superior quality of the news and the constructive news carried in our state paper is a direct result of your persistent, consecrated, and efficient methods as editor. Our pastor is constantly boosting the Record wherever he preaches.

GEORGE MEEKS,

Publicity Director,

Harmony Baptist Church,  
Laurel, Mississippi.



## Readers Digest To Ban All Liquor Advertising

After 33 years of publication without having advertising, the Readers Digest plans to begin advertising next April. The magazine, which has a circulation of more than 10,000,000, will limit advertisement to 32 pages and charge \$26,500 for a page and more for color advertisements.

A spokesman for the magazine stated that liquor, tobacco, and medical remedy ads will not be acceptable.

It was explained that rising production costs compelled the use of advertising or an increase in the price of the magazine.

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## Jeff Davis Association Holds Stewardship Week

Ten of the 15 Baptist churches in the Jefferson Davis Baptist association participated in a round robin stewardship revival Nov. 1-5. The pastors of these ten churches went into a different church each night, preaching on some phase of stewardship.

Dublin Church cooperated by conducting study courses for each department of the church each night.

Following is a schedule of the services showing where the different pastors were preaching each night:

Monday, Nov. 1: Antioch, W. A. Newsom; Bassfield, Guy Henderson; Carson, A. S. Johnston; Ebenezer, Charles Holstead; Hathorn, R. A. Coulter; Phalti, L. E. Green; Prentiss, Oscar Petty; Society Hill, G. W. Smith; Victory, R. E. McDonald; Whitesand, M. A. Davis.

Tuesday, Nov. 2: Antioch, G. W. Smith; Bassfield, Charles Holstead; Carson, R. A. Coulter; Ebenezer, M. A. Davis; Hathorn, A. S. Johnston; Phalti, R. E. McDonald; Prentiss, Guy Hathorn; Society Hill, W. A. Newsom; Victory, L. E. Green; Whitesand, Oscar Petty.

Wednesday, Nov. 3: Antioch, R. A. Coulter; Bassfield, A. S. Johnston; Carson, Oscar Petty; Ebenezer, Guy Henderson; Hathorn, W. A. Newsom; Phalti, M. A. Davis; Prentiss, R. E. McDonald; Society Hill, L. E. Green; Victory, G. W. Smith; Whitesand, Charles Holstead.

Thursday, Nov. 4: Antioch, R. E. McDonald; Bassfield, Oscar Petty; Carson, Guy Henderson; Ebenezer, L. E. Green; Hathorn, M. A. Davis; Phalti, G. W. Smith; Prentiss, Charles Holstead; Society Hill, A. S. Johnston; Victory, R. A. Coulter; Whitesand, W. A. Newsom.

Friday, Nov. 5: Antioch, Charles Holstead; Bassfield, R. A. Coulter; Carson, L. E. Green; Ebenezer, G. W. Smith; Hathorn, Oscar Petty; Phalti, W. A. Newsom; Prentiss, M. A. Davis; Society Hill, R. E. McDonald; Victory, A. S. Johnston; Whitesand, Guy Henderson.

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M. D. BOND

Shown above is M. D. Bond, the leader of the Junior Department of Training Union, Big Level Church, Wiggins. He has attended every service of the church for the last twelve months.

He has also attended every service of two study courses and every service of the two revivals held this year.

Rev. Lester Dennis is the pastor at Big Level.

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## HILLCREST ORDAINS FIVE DEACONS

Sunday, October 3, Hillcrest Church in Hinds county ordained five new deacons. Those ordained were: Ford Starnes, George Sheffield, Benson Speed, C. F. Cleveland and James Sellers.

Rev. C. E. Wilbanks, director of Evangelism for the State Convention, preached the ordination sermon. Rev. G. C. Cox is the pastor.

## 365 Added In Alaska Campaign

By DR. C. E. WILBANKS  
Director of Evangelism

The sixth series of Baptist simultaneous revivals in the Territory of Alaska, Oct. 10-24, brought a total of 365 additions to the churches and missions, 180 of them for baptism. Twenty-one churches and missions conducted revivals. Each had a guest preacher from the States, and six had singers from the states.

Dr. C. Y. Dossey, Associate in the Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board, directed the crusade.

Two state secretaries of Evangelism assisted in the crusade, J. A. Pennington of Oklahoma, and C. E. Wilbanks of Mississippi.

The Mississippi Baptist Convention Board sent me as our contribution to the development of this last, and far flung frontier of our nation.

In so doing, we were helping our very own in Alaska, for he preached in Calvary Church, Anchorage, where John De Foore is pastor and Mary Jo Ray, of Ackerman is educational and church secretary. She graduated this year from Blue Mountain.

They are greatly loved by their church which they have led to build a beautiful church building, mostly with their own hands. His consecration and wisdom have been recognized in that he was

## W. J. NOLAN TO LEAD BETHLEHEM REVIVAL

Bethlehem Church in Jones County, according to an announcement by the pastor, Rev. Warren H. Rush, will have a revival November 29-December 5. Rev. W. J. Nolan, pastor of First Church, Fairhope, Alabama, will be the evangelist. Bob Walin, Wildwood Church, Laurel, will have charge of the music.

A Stewardship Revival was held the week of November 1-4.

Recently the church surprised the pastor with a shower on the first anniversary of his pastorate with Bethlehem.

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## FIRST, WINONA SETS ATTENDANCE RECORDS

Sunday School Superintendent M. C. Billingsley and Training Union Director J. V. Ferguson, are congratulating their fellow workers and each other on the record attendances for both organizations of the First Church, Winona on Sunday, November 7. The Sunday School had set a goal of 525 and had 526 present. The high attendance mark for the school had been 506. The training Union with an enrollment of 153 had set a goal of 200. All but 14 members were present and together with the 74 visitors a record attendance of 213 was reached.

These high attendances came as the climax of the revival meeting October 31-November 7. Dr. J. H. Kyzar of Greenwood was the visiting evangelist and Mr. Judson DeFoore, the church's music director, had charge of the music. There were 19 additions to the church.

## LAKEVIEW PROGRESSES Holds Youth Revival

Lakeview Church in Hattiesburg recently held youth revival services. Rev. Harry Howard did the preaching and Wallace Whatley led the singing. Both are students at William Carey College. Lottie Jean Fillingame, student at Mississippi Southern, was the pianist.

When Rev. Wallace Harrell became pastor of the church on March 1 of this year the church had only two Sunday School classes; it now has seven.

The W. M. S., organized by Mrs. Harrell, has redecorated one of the rooms of the church, forming a five-bed nursery.

The church has bought new pews, new song books, and a new pulpit. They are now having full-time services.

More than 90 per cent of the church members are tithers.

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## DAMASCUS TO OBSERVE FAMILY DAY NOV. 21

Damascus Church in Franklin County, according to an announcement by the pastor, Rev. C. O. Stegall, will observe Family Day on November 21.

The largest family present will be awarded a prize and dinner will be served at noon.

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Wayside Church in Yalobusha Association was so thrilled over their Vacation Bible School this summer (though some were skeptical before the school began) that the church has included money in next year's budget for another school. Rev. Darwin Hall is the pastor.

## CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

By REV. LEON V. YOUNG

Called and Accepted:

Nervin T. Jones, Fellowship near Covington, Tennessee.  
H. H. Carmen, Tula, Tennessee, from Pleasant Site, Tennessee, McNair Association.

Gilbert Daniel, Ramer, from Chewall McNair Asso., Tenn.  
E. A. Byrd, Whiteville, Tennessee.

J. E. Coggin, First, Texarkana, Arkansas, from Central Avenue, Memphis, Tenn.

W. W. Shawlin, Mt. Pisgah, Tenn., from missionary, Carol-Benton Associations, Tenn.

Frederick G. Schlafer, Woodlawn, Birmingham, Ala., from Paducah, Ky.

Bryan Judge, Calvary, Modesto, Calif. from Calvary, Richmond, Calif.

Julian Elmo Rawlinson, First, High Point, N. C.

Alton W. Greenlaw, Crisfield, Md. from Warsaw, N. C.

Jack Napier, Macedonia Mt. Pleasant, Union Association, N. C.

Norman Joyner, Shadybrook Church, Kannapolis, N. C. from Chaplaincy.

Jeta Baker, Independence Hill, Macklenburg Asso., N. C. from Stateline, S. C.

Harold A. Collins, First, Donaldsonville, Georgia, from Southern Seminary.

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. —(BP)—

California Baptists in annual session here recently adopted a \$385,000 Cooperative Program goal for 1955. The budget will go 29 per cent to Southern Baptist causes and 61 per cent to state causes.

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### FOREIGN MISSION WEEK OF PRAYER

You have been reading lately about the dedication of the new chapel for Seinan Gakuin in Fukuoka, Japan. How glorious that it is named in honor of the late M. Theron Rankin! We are glad this memorial to our great secretary could be built with Lottie Moon Christmas Offering money because he loved the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. We remember how he said, "The Foreign Mission Board runs on a double track: the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. Surely we will pray and give in this December Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering to far surpass the \$3,000,000 goal."

### FEATURE SPEAKER AT Y.W.A. HOUSEPARTY



Miss Mary Sampson, Formosa

Miss Mary Sampson, Southern Baptist Missionary to Formosa, will bring two missionary messages to the young women of northern Mississippi who assemble at the Y.W.A. Houseparty, November 19-21, at Blue Mountain College.

Formerly in China, Miss Sampson had to leave because of Communist invasion. A native of Kentucky, she was employed at First Baptist Church, Jackson, prior to beginning work in China. She is now taking refresher courses at Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville, Ky., while home on furlough.

Numerous young women are expected to attend this second Regional Y.W.A. Houseparty held at Blue Mountain. Other speakers will include Mrs. Horace Fisher, missionary to the Choctaw Indians in Mississippi; Miss Bertha Kim, Hawaiian student enrolled in Mississippi College; Miss Gladys Saavedra, Chilean student at Clark College; 8 nationals on Blue Mountain College, campus; Mrs. W. C. Tyler, Southwide Recording W.M.U. Secretary, Blue Mountain, Rev. and Mrs. Joe Triplett, Pastor and wife, Blue Mountain.

The total cost of the week-end is \$5.50. Young women between the ages of 16 and 25 are invited to attend this mission-packed event. Miss Ginny Curry, President, Northern Regional Y.W.A. Council,

will preside over the opening session.

### THANKS TO GARAYWA!

After sending \$148.51 to Dr. Herbert Caudill for mission work in Cuba, the following letter was received. This money was designated from the Mission Offering given by the campers at Camp Garaywa during the 1954 camping season.

"It is a little late but I want to thank you for the splendid offering from the campers at Camp Garaywa for our work in Cuba. The church at Pinar del Rico, where Miss Maria Vazquez' father is pastor is to receive our annual convention next April, so we sent fifty dollars of the amount given in your check to help them as they make their preparations to receive the convention. The rest of the money, \$68.51 will be put in our Camp at Yumuri."

During the past summer we made considerable improvements in the facilities of our camp. A large new dormitory with capacity for about sixty beds, (they have to be pretty close together) has been built. We also have better bath facilities in this building than in previous constructions. We also put up a three room house for the caretaker, and we personally put up another three room house which is also at the disposal of the camp. At Sunday school camp, nine people used our house there. We also put up two places for class rooms. We can now take care of about one hundred campers with a reasonable amount of crowding.

I am sure that Maria Vazquez received great blessings from her stay in the United States. She is now at her home in Pinar del Rio. She helps quite a bit in her church as pianist and director of the choir. She also helps in Sunday School and the other activities of the church.

With best wishes and thanking you again for the splendid offering, I am

Sincerely yours,  
Herbert Caudill."

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There are not many pastors in Chile, and laymen do much of the preaching. A deacon in the Chiquicamata Baptist Church told me, "We may have to arrange the schedule somewhat because we work in shifts here at the copper mine; but we never say no when we are asked to preach."—Marlin R. Hicks, missionary to Chile.



Shown above are members of the Primary Sunday School Class of the Enon Church in Clay County. They are shown bearing gifts to make up a "traveling basket" for an invalid lady of their church. They are, left to right, front row: Becky Ann McGarity, Billy Jo Ayres, Ida Bess Langford. Back row: Billy MacLangford, Harvey Langford. Their teacher is Mrs. Sarah Edwards. Rev. W. E. Foster is the pastor of the church.

The Baptist Record appreciates a nice revised list of subscriptions from New Salem Church in Tishomingo County. Rev. Odis Puckette is the pastor and Elbert Robinson is the treasurer.

## Two Jackson Churches Lead State In Total Gifts To Mission Causes

Two Jackson churches, First and Calvary, lead the state in total gifts to all mission causes. Jackson, First leads with total gifts of \$71,201.89, and Calvary is next, with \$56,624.00. Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins is pastor of the First Church and Dr. Luther Joe Thompson is pastor of the Calvary Church.

Others among the first five are: First, Columbus, Dr. S. R. Woodson, pastor, \$42,946.94; First, Gulfport, Dr. Joe T. Odle, pastor, \$38,885.18, and First, Meridian, Dr. Walter Moore, pastor \$35,623.37.

The next 20 churches and their gifts are:

6—Tupelo, Calvary—Lee	\$31,303.72
7—McComb, First—Pike	27,188.84
8—Jackson, Parkway—Hinds	26,743.07
9—Meridian, 15th Avenue—Lauderdale	25,069.86
10—Grenada, First—Grenada	23,576.74
11—Laurel, First—Jones	22,540.75
12—Brookhaven, First—Lincoln	20,814.29
13—Hattiesburg, First—Lebanon	19,691.36
14—Pascagoula, First—Jackson	19,528.28
15—Hattiesburg, Main Street—Lebanon	19,511.45
16—Picayune, First—Pearl River	18,917.49
17—Crystal Springs, First—Copiah	18,889.23
18—Canton, First—Madison	18,176.58
19—Vicksburg, First—Warren	18,013.48
20—Kosciusko, First—Attala	17,369.70
21—Columbia, First—Marion	17,044.94
22—New Albany, First—Union County	16,907.16
23—Clinton — Hinds	16,849.48
24—Yazoo City, First—Yazoo	16,250.97
25—Greenwood, First—Leflore	15,564.04

## Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

## STATE MUSIC FESTIVAL

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- 11:00 A.M.—Mass Choir Rehearsal.
- 1:30 P.M.—All Choral and Instrumental Adjudication.
- 3:30 P.M.—Integrated Choir Worship Service. (All Choirs in Concert).
- 7:00 P.M.—Adjudication for Night Groups.
- 8:30 P.M.—Integrated Anthem Service. (By All Choirs Present).

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# SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

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Laurel, Harmony	192	95
Elfraine	152	110
Laurel, First	609	188
Meridian, 41st Ave.	397	148
Meridian, Poplar Springs	447	162
Edwards	93	50
Pearl (Rankin)	218	133
Jackson, Crestwood	629	433
Jackson, Broadmoor	590	162
Jackson, Van Winkle	551	306
Flowood	100	83
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	750	325
Jackson, Hillcrest	172	101
Jackson, First	1444	520
Jackson, Calvary	1539	507
Main Church	1471	458
Calvary Mission	68	49
Jackson, Parkway	1243	663
Byram (Hinds)	206	115
Springfield (Scott)	136	82
Jackson, Ridgcrest	317	145
Richland (Rankin)	170	96
Macedonia (Lincoln)	214	117
Jackson, Northside	555	203
Kreole, First	120	77
Jackson, Highland	103	81
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	224	116
Morton (Scott)	333	136
Main	314	119
Mission	19	19
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	479	171
Jackson, West	334	166
Clinton	660	418
Jackson, Southside	465	207
Florence, Steen's Creek	161	67
Ita Bena	205	96
Clarksdale, Riverside	290	137
Oak Grove (Yazoo)	64	46
Jackson, Robinson St.	286	109
Columbus, Calvary	187	90
Ruth	90	83
Ruleville	289	135
Taylorville	165	103
Vicksburg, First	579	204
McComb, Friendship	188	101
McComb, Locust St.	95	61
Shiloh (Marion)	82	61
Glenfield (Union)	112	91
Columbus, First	1023	380
Niland Chapel (Bolivar)	49	43
Mt. Pleasant (Holmes)	37	49
Hattiesburg, First	675	215
Brownsville, Beulah	74	69
Cleveland, Immanuel	125	104
Pascagoula, First	1019	353
Main School	795	262
Jackson Ave. Chapel	79	43
McArthur Chapel	63	43
Orange Grove Chapel	82	48
New Prospect (Lincoln)	144	105
Magee	455	123
Gulfport, New Hope	130	56
Long Beach, First	278	112
Laurel, Highland	271	117
Oakland Grove (Jones)	92	97
West Point, Calvary	291	182
Pleasant Ridge (Holmes)	71	61
Pelahatchie	201	85
Main School	172	117
Mission	29	29
Crystal Springs, First	718	265
Columbia, First	755	301
Main School	669	235
South Columbia Mission	86	66
Grenada, First	737	194
Wayside (Yalobusha)	52	52
Friendship ((Jackson)	79	86
Marks, First	240	71
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	164	72
Jackson, Van Winkle Mission	66	81
Greenville, Second	546	226
Airport Mission	45	45
Darling	89	43
Laurel, Wildwood	252	100
New Sight (Lincoln)	162	108
Aberdeen, First	406	133
Yazoo City, First	566	183
Gulfport, Grace Memorial	205	74
Clarksdale	362	162

## Spiritual Emphasis Week Features Jackson Pastor

A series of messages on the subject "God" will be presented by Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor of the First Church, Jackson, in the chapel hour at New Orleans Seminary during Spiritual Emphasis Week November 20 - December 3, according to John Merritt, student body president. Sponsored by the Student Council, Spiritual Emphasis Week this year will be the third held on the New Orleans campus.

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## Pearlhaven, Brookhaven Observes Homecoming Day

Homecoming on November 21 at Pearlhaven Church Brookhaven, will be the occasion of a "HOUSE COVERING DAY," with a program of local talent, for the morning, afternoon and night services. Dinner will be served at the Church.

The goal for the day will be to raise at least \$1500 to pay for the covering of the church and so some necessary repair to the outside of the building.

Rev. Paul Z. Ball is the pastor.

Greenwood, Calvary	475	226
Friendship (Lincoln)	150	122
Newton, First	512	264
Bay St. Louis, First	118	145
Stonewall	237	151
Spanish Fort	50	46
Kosciusko, First	779	292
Main School	253	100
Maple Mission	26	26
Murphy Creek (Winston)	172	133
Grenada, Emmanuel	269	107
Main Church	243	107
Futheyville Chapel	26	26
Brookhaven, First	828	331
Main Church	715	233
Southway Chapel	77	36
Halbert Heights Chapel	61	37
Concord (Choctaw)	100	91
Hattiesburg, Main St.	1027	423
Hernando	190	71
Columbus, East End	313	113
Carmel (Lawrence)	112	110
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	193	82
Gulfport, Calvary	54	41
Gulfport, First	1003	342
Brookhaven, Central	109	81
Mt. Zion (Lincoln)	173	96
Winona, First	412	114
Longview (Okibbeha)	102	84
Petal, First	133	73
New Albany, First	661	173
Northside Mission	72	39
Petal-Harvey	355	157
Main School	326	129
Harvey	29	29
Hattiesburg, Temple	596	169
Bethlehem (Jones)	168	117
Soso, First	147	94
Purvis, First	255	93
Mission	23	23
Houston, First	290	163
Fair River (Lincoln)	126	89

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Soso, First	170	99
Wayside (Yalobusha)	43	43
Friendship (Lincoln)	153	112
Meridian, Oakland Hgts.	297	126
Corinth, Tate St.	292	116
Ruleville	299	128
Yazoo City, First	491	179
Marks, First	239	69
New Prospect (Lincoln)	139	103
Bethlehem (Jones)	151	108
Winona, First	526	213
Oakland Grove (Jones)	101	101

## ROBINSON STREET ADDS NEW STAFF MEMBER



CHARLES FERGUSON

Charles Ferguson, a senior at Mississippi College, began recently his duties as Education-Youth Director for Robinson Street Church, Jackson.

Mr. Ferguson's duties will include the direction of the Junior and Youth choirs, as well as serving as part-time Education director.

At Mississippi College, Mr. Ferguson has served as president of the Chorale Choir, manager of the College Choir, and served on the Tribesman and Collegian staffs. This year he is listed in Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities.

Rev. Leonard Holloway is the pastor at Robinson Street.

—BR—

A most interesting and helpful booklet has been prepared by the church at Flora, Dr. William P. Davis, pastor. The title is "Stewardship Beams". It gives a complete picture of the church and its various activities. Even the duties of the officers are outlined. There is a fine discussion on the Cooperative Program and stewardship, as well as an outline of the state and southwide reach of the Cooperative Program. It also contains a calendar of activities, local, state, and southwide. The various officers of the church are listed with an itemized account of the expenditures during the past year and the budget for the coming year.

—BR—

Don't be surprised if you receive fewer Christmas cards jumping with jolly snowmen this year—and more that portray the Three Wise Men! Chances are, too, that you will be sending more religious Christmas cards than ever before. For there's a definite nation-wide trend in this direction, according to the alert Christmas card publishers. Traditional subjects, "holly on the door, carol singing, church bells ringing, trees and lights and more," as one card rhymes it—again appear on the great majority of Christmas cards. But of the 30,000 different designs now available 20 percent have a distinctly reverent theme. Even more significant, perhaps is that the five most popular religious designs feature inspiring Nativity scenes. Gentle Madonnas are the nation's favorites, closely followed by Christmas cards that picture the Magi and the Christ Child. Then come dramatic illustrations of the manger itself and white robed angels.

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### DADDY, A LAD IS ON YOUR KNEE!

Mother has been rocking Junior (the RA's) since the early part of this century. They have done a woman sized job. Many will be the stars in the crowns of WMU. Through the years WMU leadership has longed for the time when men would assume a more definite responsibility for boys work. The Conventions (Southern Baptist and Mississippi) have spoken.

Now that Junior is on our knee it's up to us.

We must do something with him. No doubt we will fumble at the job for a while, but we should soon hit a stride that will carry us on. Two types of leadership stands out at once. We can't have an RA chapter without a counselor. Many churches have several chapters, therefore, we must provide the necessary counselors.

Boys like to play. Supervised recreation is a must. It is not enough to give the boys a bat and ball and leave them alone. They

need adult coaching. Boys love hikes. Men must go with them.

Men are needed to help the boys with their ranking as well as serve on reviewing councils.

Plans are being made to have two RA Congresses this year—one in North Mississippi and one in South Mississippi. Men, it is your responsibility to see that every RA is provided transportation to one of these Congresses. You surely won't disappoint them, will you? RA Camps are to be the last week in June and all of July. Fellows, let's see to it that every boy who is qualified is given a chance to attend camp.

### MAN MATERIAL—BOYS

The only material we have to build men with is boys. If we expect to grow real men, we must cultivate our boys. It is said that great men's training should start with their grand-parents. We have the man material—815 RA chapters. We need 4 times that many. We are late in many instances. Let's get started sponsoring our RA chapters.

## Egypt Church Leads State In Total Per Capita Gifts To All Missions

Egypt Church in Chickasaw county is a double leader in the giving department in giving among Mississippi Baptists. Not only does the church lead in per-capita giving through the Cooperative Program, but figures released by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, show Egypt leading all Mississippi Baptist churches in per capita giving to all mission causes. The records show that the church averaged \$43.98 per member for all mission objects, which includes Cooperative Program gifts and gifts for designated causes. Rev. Leslie Dodson is the pastor.

The next four highest per capita churches are: Calvary, Tupelo, Rev. W. L. Day, pastor, \$32.11; Carthage, Rev. Troy Prince, pastor, \$21.94; First, Canton, Rev. David Cranford, pastor, \$21.38; and Fifteenth Avenue, Meridian, Dr. Jack Southerland, pastor, \$20.60.

The next 20 churches in order are named below:

6—Grenada, First—Grenada	\$20.56
7—Moss Point, First—Jackson	18.41
8—Kewanee—Lauderdale	17.88
9—Laurel, First—Jones	17.79
10—Coldwater — Tate	17.42
11—Holly Springs—Marshall	17.18
12—Meridian, First—Lauderdale	16.69
13—Picayune, First—Pearl River	16.64
14—Berwick — Mississippi	15.95
15—West Point, Calvary—Clay	15.37
16—Trinity—Gulf Coast	14.98
17—New Albany—Union County	14.95
18—Columbus, First—Lowndes	14.87
19—Tutwiler, First—Tallahatchie	14.80
20—Jackson, Calvary—Hinds	14.70
21—Riverside — Jackson	14.67
22—Morgan City—Leflore	14.48
23—Gulfport, First—Gulf Coast	14.33
24—Sardis — Panola	14.24
25—Yazoo City, First—Yazoo	14.16

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hand. Moral laxity is the curse of our people. The widespread sin of adultery is seen in the breakup of American homes. People today have itching ears for the things of the world instead of the things of the spirit, and there are prophets in our midst that are saying, Peace, peace, to a world that is lost in sin and there is no peace. We too face the judgment of God as did Israel unless we take the road out that God gave Israel through the message of Jeremiah.

In Jeremiah 6:16 God gives the people of Israel the solution to their problem. "Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths where is the good way and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls, but they said, 'We will not walk therein.' Let us consider this threefold message of the Lord to Israel and apply it to our situation today.

I "Stand ye in the ways and see."

1. This literally means "Station yourselves in (or by) the roads—the meeting point of different roads." The people of Mississippi and of our nation have before them many vitally important issues that are demanding decisions on our part. We are indeed standing at the crossroads.

2. God instructs Israel "to stand" or pause in their journey long enough to consider where they are going. The people of America have not been made famous by their willingness to pause or to stand still for any length of time. The motto of America is "speed." We may not know where we are going, but at least we want to get there as fast as possible. One needs only to observe the speed of transportation, the speed of man's production, the speed of every phase of life, and the tension under which we live, to know that America is not noted for her willingness to pause in the journey of life.

Of all advice that the people of our nation need today, we had better listen to the word of the Lord and take time to pause in the journey and consider the direction in which we are going, to be sure it is the right one.

The people of Mississippi are facing a momentous question to which path we shall take. Mississippians are asked to go to the polls and make a decision that might possibly determine the de-

stiny of this great state for generations yet to come. We had better so some pausing in our journey and some consideration as to what direction we wish our people to follow.

II "Ask for the old path where is the good way."

Many people love to talk about the "good old days." But just because something is old does not necessarily mean that it is also good. There are many things about the good old days that I have no desire to recall. On the other hand, it is well for us to follow paths that are tested by years of experience, that we may know we are following the right paths.

1. We need to ask for the old path that leads to the place of prayer. The need of America today is for men in business and government, and every phase of our national life, who are willing to the place of prayer.

As long as people kneel to pray before they cast their ballots, as long as our national leaders seek out God's guidance in making their decision, I do not feel uneasy for our nation. This is one of the old paths that we know is right.

2. We should also ask for the path that leads to the Book, the Word of God.

I am happy to see the work of the Woman's Missionary Union of our state, in cooperation with others, working at the job of placing 100,000 Bibles in the homes of the Negro families of our state. Every home that does not have a Bible will have one available—that is the goal.

The need of our nation is not only to have Bibles in every home, which is vitally important, but also that the members of every home follow the teachings of the Bible. The Bible has the answer to every problem and every ill that plagues our civilization today. We need to walk that road today. The road that leads to God's precious Word, and we need to follow it in our daily lives.

3. We should also ask for the path that leads to the church of our Lord. I am thankful that I live in a nation of churches. You can't go very far in America without finding a church. The strength of our nation can be traced through the influence for the churches of our country. I wouldn't want to live in a community that did not

have a church.

The strength of America is found in the Christian message that is preached from the pulpit of the little churches, the middle-sized churches and the big churches of our country. Every vacant seat in every church is a silent vote to do away with the principles of our great nation, and every church that is filled with worshippers is a vote to keep America and make her stronger than she has ever been. We need to follow the path that leads to the house of God.

III "Walk therein."

1. After we have stood in the way and considered which was the best way to go, and then asked for the old paths that had been tested and tried wherein is the good way, the next thing we are to do is to walk in these paths. It is one thing to agree which way we should go and which path we should take. It is another thing to actually walk in it.

Back in the early days of our nation, the forefathers that helped in founding this country chose the path they felt was the right path for us. They were willing to walk in it, though they left footprints of blood behind them. We need people today who have the faith and the courage to walk in the right path, no matter if they walk by themselves.

It takes courage to walk in the path we should follow. How we thrill at the story of Martin Luther. When once he had determined what path he should follow, he followed it without hesitation. When he was traveling toward Worms to defend himself in the stronghold of his enemies, Spalatin sent word to him not to come and endanger his life. To this Luther replied, "If there were as many devils at Worms as there are tiles upon the housetops, yet would I enter in."

What an inspiration to see people choose the path God wants them to travel, and then have the courage to follow that path regardless of the consequences.

### CONCLUSION:

My challenge to Mississippi Baptists is to "stand ye in the ways and see, and ask for the old paths where is the good way, and walk therein."

## Rawls Springs Breaks Ground For New Church Building



The building committee of Rawls Springs Church, Lebanon Association, is shown above breaking ground for the new church building. The brick building, already under construction, will consist of an auditorium and a two-story educational building.

Shown turning the first spade of soil is George Edmonson, oldest deacon and a member of the building committee. Others shown in the picture are: The pastor, Rev. Charles Holifield, other members of the building committee and some of the oldest members of the church.

The building committee consists of: T. R. Cooksey, Chairman; Clyde Pearson, Archie Smith, Charles Johnson, Earl Tilghman, D. J. Swanberg, Dan Breland, George Edmonson, Bilbo Sellers, and Claud Archer. C. M. Lingle is in charge of construction.

## BARBER BELIEVES IN ACTIVE CHURCH WORK

FORT WORTH, Tex. (RNS)—The first dollar taken in at Leo Wenzel's barber shop each day goes into a special compartment of his cash register to further the work of the Lord.

But Mr. Wenzel does not stop there. That daily dollar is just the foundation for the regular titling that he practices at Polytechnic Methodist church and he's convinced that giving a tenth of his income is not enough.

Mr. Wenzel holds one of the most important lay positions in the church, chairman of the commission on membership and evangelism.

He also is the church's official greeter, a member of the official board, vice-chairman of ushers and president of the Fishermen's Club, a select group of laymen who visit homes to obtain new members for the church.

The barber believes that if everyone would become active in a church the world would be much

## MRS. C. S. BENTLEY

On Wednesday morning, November 10, 1954, Mrs. C. S. Bentley died. Mrs. Bentley was born in Bluff Springs, Florida, and moved to Texas as a child. Early in 1907 she and her family moved to Richton to make their home. Her husband preceded her in death in 1935.

She is survived by five children: Mrs. Claude Bennett of Stafford Springs; Mrs. George L. Granberry, Sr., and Mrs. J. W. Pope, of Richton; Mrs. W. R. Neman, Jr., of Jackson, and one son, T. J. Bentley, Sr., of Richton.

Though not a charter member of Richton Church, Mrs. Bentley, had been a member of the Church since shortly after it was constituted and was, at the time of her death, the oldest member of the church.

Up until three weeks before her death, Mrs. Bentley had been a faithful attendant at her church.

better. "During the last two years I have put more into my church and have gotten more out of it," he said. "These two years have been the happiest of my life."

## SHADY GROVE (COPIAH) CALLS NEW PASTOR

Shady Grove Church, Hazlehurst, (Copiah) has called Rev. Stanley J. Smith to serve as pastor succeeding Rev. Jimmy Hodges who resigned to study at the New Orleans Seminary.

Mrs. Smith is the former Jerry June Hunter, of Mantee. Both are recent graduates of the New Orleans Seminary and they have a young daughter, Wanda Michele. Mr. Smith received his Master of Theology degree and Mrs. Smith was awarded the Diploma in Christian Training.

Former pastorates include Mantee, Oak Grove, and Bethany Church. The latter two churches are in the Jefferson Davis Association and both churches entered full time services following October, 1950.

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## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

### Perry County Association

Perry County Association met with its youngest church, Bethel. Rev. Dan Holcomb is the pastor. We attended the opening night session and as at most associations, we were given a good spot on the program to discuss both the Baptist Record and the Cooperative Program.

Evidently the Program Committee had worked long and well, for they had a good, well-balanced program.

Perry County Baptists believe in attending the association. The house was packed.

Record readers in Perry County are now listed as follows: Bethel, 2; ARLINGTON, 22; BEAUMONT, 70; BREWER, 29; INDIAN SPRINGS, 26; JANICE, 31; KENNEDY MEMORIAL, 27; NEW AUGUSTA, 60; RICHTON, 101; RUNNELSTOWN, 85, Seminary, 15; UNION, 36.

### Crestwood, Jackson

While the pastor, Rev. A. B. Pierce, was in Colquitt, Georgia, leading a revival meeting we had the privilege of preaching at the morning service.

As on previous occasions we found the auditorium filled and some in the balcony. Harry E. Hall, Director of Music and Education, led in a helpful and inspiring musical program. We heard many compliments on his work.

The church now has under construction a new educational annex which has been needed for quite a while.

Pastor Pierce is scheduled to

assist in an Alaskan revival campaign next spring, after which he will leave for a two months tour of Europe, the Holy Land, and the Baptist World Alliance.

Record readers in Hinds County are now listed as follows: BETHESDA, 47; BROWNSVILLE, (BEULAH), 57; BOLTON, 34; BYRAM, 94; CHAPEL HILL, 31; CLINTON, 329; EDWARDS, 66; ELRAINE, 76; JACKSON, ALTA WOODS, 277; JACKSON, CALVARY, 1452; JACKSON, DANIEL MEMORIAL, 585; JACKSON, CRESTWOOD, 211; JACKSON, EMMANUEL, 66; JACKSON, FIRST, 1303; JACKSON, GRIFFITH MEMORIAL, 193; JACKSON, NORTHSIDE, 423; JACKSON, PARKWAY, 960; JACKSON, ROBINSON STREET, 121; JACKSON, VAN WINKLE, 374; JACKSON, SOUTHSIDE, 347; JACKSON, WEST, 193; JACKSON, TEMPLE, 32; Learned, 13; JACKSON, RIDGECREST, 159; HILLCREST, 114; MIDWAY, 58; WESTVIEW, 97; Old Byram, 17; PALESTINE, 22; POCAHONTAS, 25; RAYMOND, 120; SALEM, 41; FOREST HILL, 73; TERRY, 117; UTICA, 91; NEW HAVEN, 23; CALVARY MISSION, 57; JACKSON, HIGHLAND, 84; JACKSON, BROADMOOR, 197; JACKSON, VAN WINKLE MISSION, 23.

### Oktibbeha Association

We attended the Oktibbeha Association the first day, which met at Bethesda Church. The second day's session was held at Center Grove.

Pastor Wilson Winstead and the Bethesda people proved themselves to be excellent hosts.

They also did something that we had not noticed for some years in Mississippi. They had erected signs

### J. E. JACKSON RESIGNS SILVER CITY CHURCH

Rev. J. E. Jackson, has resigned the pastorate of the Silver City Church in order to pastor two missions in Coahoma County, Riverside Association.

During the 20 months that he was the pastor of the church, 57 people united with the church, 31 by baptism and 26 by letter. The ratio of baptisms to the total church membership was one baptism for five members.

The Sunday School enrollment climbed from 73 to 127, and the Training Union enrollment went from 66 to 88. The church was second in the Humphreys County Association in total giving to the Co-operative Program.

The two missions which he is serving are sponsored by the Lyon and Clarksdale churches. Rev. M. C. Waldrop is associational missionary.

for ten or fifteen miles in every direction showing how to get to Bethesda Church. There are several turns and cross roads and the average stranger would have gotten lost several times without the aid of these signs.

Few if any churches can equal the record of the Sunday School. We noticed on the bulletin board that the Sunday School enrollment is 75 and that the previous Sunday's attendance was 75.

A new church, Emmanuel, of Starkville, was admitted to the association. Recently organized, the church is making big plans for the future. Rev. Frank Crawford is the pastor.

Officers elected were: Moderator, Rev. J. C. Bryant; Vice-Moderator, Rev. W. O. Presson; Clerk and Treasurer, A. A. Hitchcock.

Reports indicated that the Sunday Schools were over the prescribed goal of "A Million More in '54."

Oktibbeha County Association Record readers are now listed as follows:

Adaton 10, BETHESDA 26, Center Grove 11, DOUBLE SPRINGS 37, STARKVILLE, CALVARY 58, Friendship 1, LONGVIEW 62; MABEN 66, Morgan Chapel 16, New Hope 13, PLEASANT RIDGE 27, SELF CREEK 23, STARKVILLE, FIRST 175, STURGIS 64.

### Spring Hill Is Back

Due to local conditions, Spring Hill Church in Copiah county recently discontinued the EVERY FAMILY Plan. However, it didn't last long and Mrs. R. G. Prine, church treasurer, writes that the church has voted to resume the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

Record readers in Copiah County are now listed as follows:

ANTIOCH 30, BETHEL 58, Carpenter 19, COUNTY LINE 77, CRYSTAL SPRINGS 409, DAMASCUS 53, Galilee 19, GALLMAN 63, Gatesville 1, GEORGETOWN 76, Harmony 14, HAZLEHURST 194, HOPEWELL 45, New Providence 14, New Zion 2, PEARL VALLEY 29, PILGRIM'S REST 47, POPLAR SPRINGS 29, Rockport 11, Rocky Hill 1, SARDIS 41, SHADY GROVE 67, SMYRNA 32, SPRING HILL 58, STRONG HOPE 60, SYLVARENA 44, WESSON 130.

### Prayer Is Daily Activity Of Candy Manufacturer

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (RNS) Prayer is a daily, integral part of the life of Lem T. Jones, chief executive of a candy firm that did a \$10,000,000 business last year.

Mr. Jones, a partner who describes himself as "lead horse" of Russell Stover Candies, starts each business day in the firm's headquarters with prayer.

"I like to bow my head and my heart as I sit at my desk each morning," said Mr. Jones, a gray-haired man with a kindly smile. "I start every day in the office with the prayer: 'My God, make me adequate in Thy sight for this day.'"

Mr. Jones keeps a small testament in his coat pocket. After rendering his daily prayer, he takes the book and opens it. Wherever it opens he reads a verse.

"I consider this as committing myself to sovereign authority," he said. "It prepares me for whatever difficult situations the day may produce."

With its stores and factories spread out over the 48 states and Alaska, the candy company's business has many ramifications and pressures. Mr. Jones, as the "lead horse," makes most of the important decisions.

"When some complex situation arises," he said, "and I feel I'm getting out of control, I reach into my pocket and pick up the testament and say to myself, 'steady now, fellow.'"

A public address system in the firm's headquarters is utilized by Mr. Jones at times of "particularly pressing decision-making."

Using a microphone in his office, he asks employees to halt their work.

"I tell them that the company's executives are occupied with some decisive action and ask them to join me in silent prayer for a couple of minutes for divine guidance," he said. "It makes them feel a part of the team, and it makes solution of the most difficult situations so really easy."

When Mr. Jones leaves his office each evening, his religion goes home with him. The Jones residence in the Country Club district has a Bible in every room. Grace is said before each meal.

"I feel that a Bible in every room is evidence of an authority in life," he said. "It depicts the great discipline of free men, guided by a sovereign authority for purpose and direction."

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The Illinois Central Railroad has placed printed prayers on all menus used in the dining cars. The prayer for Protestants was written by Duke K. McCall, president of Southern Seminary.

### Radio Commission Names Assistant Publicity Man

ATLANTA, Ga. —(BP) — William A. Stewart, former news editor of the CBS



Television Pacific Network, has been named assistant director of publicity-promotion for the Radio and Television Commission, Atlanta, Ga.

A native of Toronto, Canada, Stewart served as a correspondent with the Canadian Expeditionary Forces in Europe prior to coming to the United States in 1945. He studied journalism at Northwestern University and the University of Miami, Fla., and was ordained a Baptist minister by the First Church of Crystal City, Texas, in 1952.

## 50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

### 50 YEARS AGO—

The Clinton Church closed a very successful revival meeting in which Pastor P. I. Lipsey was assisted by Rev. W. A. Borum of Greenville, with 26 baptisms. The president of Mississippi College announces 348 enrolled, including the preparatory department.

### 40 YEARS AGO—

The pastor of a Negro Baptist Church in Clarksdale, Mississippi, ordered from the Baptist Record a copy of Dr. A. T. Robertson's great "Grammar of the Greek New Testament."

### 25 YEARS AGO—

Pastor W. S. Landrum reports a very successful meeting of days with his Oakvale Church, Lawrence County, during which Rev. W. A. Greene of Meadville did the preaching and E. C. Caff of Monticello directed the singing. Thirty-two joined the church, 25 of them for baptism.

There were 19 accessions to the Church at Liberty, Amite County, during their revival meeting, 13 of them for baptism. Pastor H. H. Webb was assisted by Rev. L. S. Cole of Marks.

Two came for baptism and two by letter during the annual revival meeting of the Bay St. Louis Church. Pastor W. S. Allen was assisted by Rev. Harry Leland Martin of Lexington.

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### WHAT WOULD YOU SAY?

Recently we received a letter with this question: "We would like to know if a person can be counted present if he is sick and his class goes to him at home or in the hospital, or if a teacher goes to his home and teaches him the lesson."

All right, Brother, and Sister, too, what would you say?

Now, be sure and get us right on this. We are not asking you the question because there was any difficulty on our part in giving an answer. We have already written the answer from us.

But, what do you think?? What would you have said? We shall be glad to have a word from you about this.

### WEST POINT FIRST ADVANCES

We have received a concise and well balanced program of the Sunday school of the First Baptist Church of West Point, Rev. P. C. Perkins, pastor.

It is an excellent job of good planning for a full year. This is the very thing that should be done by every school. Many are doing it but too many are not.

We want to congratulate the pastor, superintendent Henry Harris and educational director Onous Wells, and the other leaders on this fine piece of work. It will mean fine results over the year.

### THE SAME FOR PERKINSTON

Sixteen awards, two new adult

classes, one new Young People's class, one new Intermediate class, one new Junior class, dividing some large rooms for meeting places, setting up a training course for five years that aims at a planned correlated study, are the results of a week's study taught by the pastor, Dr. R. R. Darby.

That's doing big business with a capital E.

### STANDARDS

The units have recently become Standard:

Schools: Pascagoula, First, Dr. J. T. Delaughter, Pastor, J. H. Simpson, superintendent; Olive Branch, Rev. A. L. Goodson, pastor, Chester Cochran, Supt.; Morton, Rev. Carl Duck, pastor, S. J. McDill, Supt.; Hamilton Street, Brookhaven, Rev. Freddie Brister, pastor, T. R. Ramsey, Supt.; Newton, Rev. R. B. T. Leavell, pastor, Harold T. Gallaspy, Supt.; Biloxi, First, Dr. G. C. Hodge, pastor, Ronald Billings, Supt, R. L. Cline, Ed. Dir.

Adult Classes: TEL, Sandersville, Mrs. Minnie Ward, teacher; Fidelis, Kilmichael, Mrs. N. J. Bridges; TEL, Leakesville, Mrs. W. C. Churchwell; Home Makers, Sturgis, Mrs. J. G. Flurry; Home Makers, Ellisville, First, Mrs. Pearl McGilvray; Home Makers, Jackson, Mrs. M. H. Yeates.

Our very sincere thanks to the leaders of all these units on the good work. Why not send in yours?

—BR—

Henry J. Huey, pastor First Baptist Church, Milan, Tennessee, has been elected executive secretary of the Tennessee Baptist Foundation, succeeding Norris Gilliam who resigned recently to become Contracts and Investments Counselor to the Baptist Sunday School Board.



PAUL ADAMS

Shown above is Paul Adams, who recently became Minister of Music and Educational Director of Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian.

—BR—

### MRS. CHRISTINE DUKES

The members of White Oak Church, feel we have sustained a great loss in the death of Mrs. Christine Dukes, who was called to her heavenly reward September 8, 1954.

She loved her church, was a faithful member of Sunday School and Training Union, and president of W.M.U. To know her was to love her. Her life was an inspiration to all of us.

Therefore be it resolved that the White Oak church has lost a loyal member, the community a faithful friend, the family a devoted wife and loving mother.

Be it further resolved that the White Oak Church extend to her family sincere and heart felt sympathy, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family, a copy be recorded on the minutes of White Oak Baptist Church, and a copy be sent to the Smith County Reformer and the Baptist Record for publication.

M. Y. Miley  
Mrs. May Wooley  
Mrs. Roy Cook

## First Church, Jackson Leads In Total Cooperative Program Gifts

First Church, Jackson, Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, pastor, leads Mississippi Baptist churches in total gifts through the Cooperative Program, according to figures released by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Executive Secretary and Treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

Total gifts from Jackson's First Baptist Church for the past associational year amounted to \$48,750.00. Closely following was Calvary Church of Jackson, Dr. Luther Joe Thompson, pastor, with \$47,221.18. Other churches among the first five are: First, Gulfport, Dr. Joe T. Odle, pastor, \$31,595.30; First, Columbus, Dr. S. R. Woodson, pastor, \$29,846.40; and First, Meridian, Dr. Walter Moore, pastor, \$24,268.75.

The next 20 churches among the 25 leading in Cooperative Program gifts are listed below:

6—Tupelo, Calvary—Lee	\$22,002.25
7—Meridian, 15th Avenue—Lauderdale	21,169.02
8—Grenada, First—Grenada	20,792.15
9—McComb, First—Pike	20,345.08
10—Brookhaven, First—Lincoln	18,479.98
11—Pascagoula, First—Pearl River	16,895.46
12—Crystal Springs, First—Copiah	16,514.55
13—Vicksburg, First—Warren	16,093.65
14—Jackson, Parkway—Hinds	14,250.00
15—New Albany, First—Union County	14,066.15
16—Pascagoula, First—Jackson	13,854.39
17—Canton, First—Madison	13,479.51
18—Yazoo City, First—Yazoo	13,004.78
19—Kosciusko, First—Attala	12,068.36
20—Jackson, Daniel Memorial—Hinds	11,900.00
21—Hattiesburg, First—Lebanon	11,520.81
22—Laurel, First—Jones	11,403.56
23—Holly Springs, First—Marshall	10,173.68
24—Hattiesburg, Main Street—Lebanon	10,103.75
25—Greenwood, First—Leflore	10,027.25

## Southside, Hattiesburg Appoints New Workers

Southside Church, Hattiesburg, has elected Don Stewart as Minister of Music. He is a ministerial student at William Carey College and was president of the B.S.U. at Mississippi Southern College last year. His home is in Biloxi but was formerly Hattiesburg.

The church elected Miss Mona Daughdrill as Educational Director. She is a student at William Carey College and president of the B.S.U. this year. Her home is near Lumberton.

## CALVARY ADDS SIX IN STEWARDSHIP MEET

During the week of October 31-Nov. 7, Calvary Church, Waynesboro, Rev. Tracy B. Barnett, Jr., pastor, held a Stewardship Revival. Rev. Robert W. Martin, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Batesville, Miss., was the preacher for the services each morning and evening and a special series of broadcasts each morning.

During the week there were five additions by letter and one by baptism. There were 30 new tithers.

Much interest is being shown in the radio broadcasts each Sunday morning program which is sponsored each week by the Calvary Church and heard over WABO at 8:15 a. m.

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In a recent survey, it was found that California's alcoholics cost the state twelve times the total liquor tax revenue. There have been similar findings in other states.

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### JASPER ASSOCIATION HOLDS CENTRAL TRAINING SCHOOL

The Associational Training Union of Jasper county recently met in a Central Leadership Training School at Bay Springs. The following churches were represented at the meeting: Bay Springs, Corinth, Edon, Heidelberg, Louin, Mossville, Shady Grove, Stringer, Montrose, Fellowship, New Fellowship and Lake Como. An average attendance of 62 was maintained with a total of 95 enrolled.

Rev. Louie E. Johnson, Jr., pastor of Mossville Church taught the Juniors and Mrs. W. G. Kelly was the teacher of the Intermediates. Mrs. Auber J. Wilds taught the Nursery, Beginner, Primary leaders and Louise Hill taught the Junior and Intermediate leaders. Mr. Auber J. Wilds, Approved Adult Worker for the Mississippi Baptist Training Union Department and former state Training Union Director, taught the Adults and Mr. G. G. Pierce taught the Young People. Mr. Davis Gardner, Associational Training Union director of Jasper Association, planned and promoted the school. Dr. Cecil Jones of Bay Springs Baptist Church was host pastor.

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## Sparks & Splinters

At the recent annual meeting of the Lamar County Association resolutions were adopted, calling attention to the fact that Lamar County is recognized as one of the driest counties in the state and that those hauling whiskey to other counties avoid traveling the roads and highways of Lamar County. The resolutions commended Sheriff Estus Lott for demonstrating that a sheriff can enforce the liquor laws and make their violations unprofitable.

A missionary, when asked what is the greatest hindrance to world evangelization, replied: "The home church—the individual Christian. Not the perils of Africa! Not the bigotry and filth of Mohammedanism, but the indifference of church members, the individual Christian!"

Mr. and Mrs. D. Curtis Askew, Southern Baptist missionaries to Japan, have moved from Hiroshima to Tokyo where they will substitute for Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Dozier, Southern Baptist missionaries who are in the States on furlough. Their address is 11 Kamiyama-cho, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo, Japan. Mr. Askew is a native of Sardis, and Mrs. Askew, the former Mary Lee Trenor, is a native of Houston.

Robinson Street Church, Jackson made new records in attendance on November 14 with 285 in Sunday School and 109 in Training Union. This is the second successive Sunday on which new peaks were reached in Training Union attendance and the fourth successive Sunday in which new peaks were recorded for Sunday School attendance. Rev. Leonard Holloway is the pastor.

At a recent meeting of the Lebanon association it was reported that Eastabuchie had no subscriptions to the Baptist Record. Eastabuchie has 16 subscriptions and the reason that none were shown in the report at the Lebanon Association is the fact that in some way Eastabuchie had been listed in Jones County whereas it is a member of the Lebanon Association. Rev. J. P. Holcomb is the pastor.

VATICAN CITY (RNS) POPE Pius XII, at a special audience here to 900 cardinals, archbishops, bishops and theologians, defended the right of the church "to direct the consciences and actions of men" in matters which are not strictly religious.

Some define God's will as "a need which I see, which at the same time is a need I can fill." Are you a qualified teacher? Are you a registered nurse? Nigeria needs you now!—Margaret Lambirth, missionary to Nigeria.

From the bulletin of the First Church, Conway, Arkansas we gleaned the following facts concerning the past six months under the leadership of Pastor J. H. Street, formerly pastor of Second Avenue Church, Laurel. Thirty-seven new members have been received by baptism and 91 by letter. Forty-seven of these are college students. Hendrix College (Methodist) is located in Conway. Both Training Union and Sunday School gained in average attendance and the offerings are above the budget.

Tell our friends in America that we do not have to have refrigerators and other modern conveniences. Tell them that we could even dispense with automobiles; but tell them we cannot do without the gospel of the Son of God—African pastor.

In some way Purvis Church was listed as in the Lamar County Association instead of the Lebanon Association in which it belongs. Therefore in reporting on the subscribers in Lebanon Association Purvis was not shown. However, the Baptist Record is glad to put Purvis back on the Lebanon list and also to report that 174 families receive the Baptist Record each week.

The Foreign Mission Board called Southern Baptists to increased support of the foreign mission program as the most fitting memorial to the late Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., who served as its secretary for Latin America from January 1, 1942, until his death on April 25, 1954. The Board adopted resolutions honoring Dr. Gill at its semi-annual full meeting in October following a lengthy tribute given by Dr. W. Rush Living, chairman of the committee for Latin America, and a brief testimony of personal appreciation by Dr. George W. Sadler, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East.

Central Grove Church, Jefferson County, began a full-time program last January. The church has shown an increase in attendance, finances, and organizational work. The church recently elected Jesse Sutton permanent, honorary, active deacon.

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Perry County will have its associational rally with Eastside Church, Richton, on Sunday afternoon, November 21. A good program has been prepared and will include Rev. C. B. Young, J. Melton Smith, Willis J. Sanderson, Miss Clara T. Dole, and Rev. J. L. Boyd.

Qubic—the new three-dimensional game for 2 to 4 players—is stimulating, brain-teasing fun for adults and youngsters alike. A grand family game, yet equally entertaining in employee recreation rooms. You play on all 4 levels of Qubic. One marker is placed on any square in turn—the object being to get 4 in a straight line (across, diagonal, etc.) through the Qubic. An incredible number of possible plays makes Qubic always fun and interesting. Qubic is sold for \$2.50 postpaid, under a money-back guarantee, by American Homecraft Co., 3714 Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago 41, Illinois.

## LEESBURG GETS NEW PASTOR

Rev. Malcolm A. Jones began the pastorate of the Leesburg Church last week, succeeding Rev. J. Harold Jones who resigned to accept a Vicksburg pastorate.

The new minister came to Leesburg from the pastorate of Mt. Nebo Church in Roseland, La. A native of Tennessee, he is a graduate of Union University at Jackson, Tennessee. In May, 1954, he received the B. D. Degree from the New Orleans Seminary.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Dr. and Mrs. Judson Chastain, William Carey College, Hattiesburg; Rev. and Mrs. Melvin T. Wilson, Kreole; Rev. Charlie Bryant, Hickory Flat; Rev. Fred V. Brown, Ashland; Rev. H. D. Jordan, Collins; Harry Smallwood, Laurel; Rev. T. R. McKibbens, Laurel; J. B. Young, Ellisville; Mrs. L. B. Campbell, Clinton.

At the meeting of the Korean Baptist Convention, everyone was given an opportunity to speak, even though, just as in our conventions in America, some talked when they should have been listening and spoke from minds filled with little knowledge; yet, there were no hard feelings and in the end everyone came to a full understanding of the issues involved and the meeting ended with a note of triumph, looking forward to another year of service for our Master.—Daniel B. Ray, missionary to Korea.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Mrs. J. A. Faggard, Kreole; Mrs. Earl Henderson, Kreole; Rev. W. M. Averett, Richton; Mrs. C. G. Hodge, Biloxi; Betty Burnside, Biloxi; Mrs. Joe Tuck, Biloxi; Leroy Heldon, Jr., Biloxi; Rev. T. E. Fant, Laurel; W. B. Colter, Ripley; T. W. Shackelford, Dumas; Harold Cappleman, Ripley; W. L. Beard, Traloke; Bruce Aulman, Hattiesburg; Graham Stuart, Greenwood; V. L. Bigham, Jr., Leeland; Dr. W. E. Prout, Shelby; Rev. E. Y. Soileau, Columbia; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Vaughn, Brookhaven; Harvey T. Gibson, Nashville, Tennessee; Mrs. Ira D. Fowler, Gunnison; Mrs. Reuben Jackson, Kreole.

By a nationally known counselor, Dr. Grace Sloan Overton, Living With Parents addresses all teen-agers. Dr. Overton tells the teen-agers how to get along with their parents at the time they are "growing up." Speaking from the teen-agers' viewpoint the book discusses problems related to living at home, choosing a career, dating and marriage, and the need for God. The book is good for parents to read as well as for the teen-agers. This is the author's tenth book. She writes principally on youth and family affairs. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from Broadman Press, Nashville, Tennessee for 1.50.

The October issue of the "Southern Baptist Educator" contains an interesting article by Dr. R. H. Spiro, Jr., professor of history at Mississippi College. The subject of the article is "Scholarly Achievements of Historians in Southern Baptist Colleges."



## Sunday School Lesson

BY DR. L. BRACEY CAMPBELL

Lesson for November 21.

### GOD'S ABUNDANCE FOR MAN'S NEED.

Bible Text: Psalm 104.

#### INTRODUCTION.

Just around the corner comes Thanksgiving. The observance of that day is fit and proper. Of course, it is not the only day on which it is proper to express thanks, but it is proper to have a day set aside for this special purpose. And what have you to be thankful for at this Thanksgiving season, what special thing? Just suppose we start at what many people would think the very bottom and see whether we should thank God for the coming judgment of sinners and a literal hell as a place of their final and endless confinement.

Could you thank God that there is a hell? That it is not going to be eternally possible for the devil to tempt good men and women, fine young boys and young girls to barter away the finest values of life for the momentary gratification of groveling passion and unclean lust, for the satisfaction of ungodly desire and unbridled ambition for selfish preferment? Could you thank a good God that there is to be a separation of the wheat from the chaff, of the gold from the dross, of those who love to praise the Lord from those who hate and execrate His holy name?

Come right down to think about it, now, do you think that the judgment at the end of this world as we have that divine event described in His book is a providence for which we do well to be thankful?

Think for a moment of the joy of God's own that shall come with that blessed day! Then all sin and sorrow and grief and frustration, all disappointment, and the stubborn herds of indifference shall be past, and those who on earth strove to be good for His dear name shall see of the fruit of their faithfulness and shall hear from His blessed lips of His approval. How to be united in bonds that dissolve not nor grow aged when all the faithful and good and just and true that have graced this footstool of the Eternal since His measureless love created man, I ask, to express due thanks in one brief day."

#### I. LET US GIVE THANKS FOR THE WORLD WE LIVE IN.

This earth as our world, this majestic earth, look you, floating through this boundless sea of space, lighted by the great sun in the day, adorned by the moon and the numberless stars by night, for this we should be thankful. God made it for us and for His own footstool. Behold the beauty of it and be thankful.

Have you walked through what we are accustomed to call the out-of-doors and let the heart play with the truth that the great out-of-doors is the Garden of God? He plants it with the acorns which His natural servants nourish into the great oaks, which begin as tender saplings and wax through the years their tender branches growing

strong as they wrestle with the winds until, as great gnarled arms, they grapple and struggle with the blasts; He adorns it with a myriad bloom and perfumes it with the breath of all the flowers; He floods it with the songs of all the birds and thrills it with the laughter of millions of happy children. Oh, so fair it is that we can but wonder what the beauty of the eternal home will be like, since He has made this temporary home so very fair.

#### II. HIS PROVISION FOR OUR DAILY BREAD.

I mean by this the things that are needful for our creature comfort. Here is the atmosphere of earth without which there could be no life as we know it of anything that now does live. No life on earth or in the waters beneath the earth, or fowl or fish or man or beast or flower or grass or forest pine, without the atmosphere.

And without water the same thing would be true, there could be no life as we know it here. If the heavens withhold their showers for twelve brief months, no living thing would be left upon the earth.

Do we think to thank Him for these things?

Then there are the forms of life upon which man subsists: the products of sea and stream and field and forest. There were indeed some so-called wise men in the ancient time who professed such a regard for the sacredness of all life that they would not eat any food made from any living thing. When they learned that nothing was food in their day but something which had lived, the dear old hypocrites took refuge in a refusal to eat anything that had given up its life that they (the good ones) might eat. If one of them ate turnip greens, he had first to be convinced that those turnips had not in the first place, been pulled and prepared for him! Well, I believe I know a humble college class teacher who exercises more wisdom than such a wise one.

A gracious God has provided food for his creatures, and has led them to a knowledge by employment of which they may provide themselves under Him with clothing and shelter. And all this while He measures to them, breath by breath, their lives and guides them by His will and girds them with His strength for the work to which He sets their hands.

#### III. HE HAS PROVIDED DEATH.

Of course He has provided life; but death, now, did that not come as the fruit of sin upon the part of the first pair? I think so. But it is the delight of the Father to break the back of the devil with his own stick. So when the devil had imposed death upon man, God took death and turned it into a blessing to man.

An old good woman or man lives a long life of faithful service to God, and now the evening is here with the lengthening shadows, the weariness of the long day, the longing for rest. Then the Lord in kindness calls the faithful toiler from labor to refreshment. The Lord sends His faithful messenger to bring the toiler from the long day home to the rest which his labor has earned. He has labored long and faithfully, looking for the hope and its glad fruition of rest and reward for the worker, and now the glad day comes.

## MANY NATIONS WILL READ THE SCRIPTURES



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People in forty countries will be reading the same passages of Scripture on November 25, Thanksgiving Day, in following the 11th annual observance of a Worldwide Bible Reading program, sponsored each year by the American Bible Society.

The theme for the program, which runs from Thanksgiving to Christmas, is "Faith For Our Day." As a part of Worldwide Bible Reading the American Bible Society publishes and provides free of charge, a bookmark listing Scripture passages for the daily readings. For the second year, the Society has also prepared the passages in Braille, that the blind may join their sighted friends in following the readings.

President Dwight D. Eisenhower, in his endorsement of the program said:

"Religious faith, in our time, is under massive attack by a strongly entrenched atheistic materialism. In such a time, how clear it is that we should treasure and further every act which fuels the flame of our faith. The observance of Worldwide Bible Reading is such an act; and I prayerfully hope that its success this year will be greater—that its imprint in the hearts and minds of the peoples of the world this year be more pervasive—than ever before."

"I am sure that all who value faith and freedom join with me in congratulating those good people who annually bring to pass this meaningful observance."

The high point of the program is Universal Bible Sunday, December 12, which will be observed in thousands of Churches of every denomination throughout the United States and in hundreds of Churches overseas. Packets containing material, especially prepared by the Bible Society to assist the pastor in this observance, have been mailed to over 150,000 ministers.

As evidence of the worldwide hunger for the Scriptures there is shown herewith a picture of blind girls reading.

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#### IV. HE HAS PROVIDED THE BLESSING OF WORK.

"But I want nothing to do but rest," Just about these words were spoken to me by a woman in Jackson brief days ago. To her I quickly replied, "You'd get tired of that within a week." I do not claim to be above the average industrious; but a life of no work would bore me not only to tears, but to death! Men do not want to do nothing for long. Take a man and put him in prison where he has nothing to do and all of his necessities provided for, and he will make a miner's tool of an old spoon or a rusty nail and dig his way through a concrete wall to attain his freedom from a place in which he does not have to work at all; because God made him to work, and man will not be content to loaf. Personally I thank fervently and continually the God who gives me work to do and strength to do it.

#### CALENDAR OF PRAYER

November 22—Mrs. Allyne Simmons, Clarke College faculty; Rev. Charles Everitt, Bolivar County Associational Missionary.

November 23 — L. E. Cliburn, Neshoba Associational Training Union Director; Mrs. J. H. Sandifer, Sharkey-Issaquena Associational W.M.U. Superintendent.

November 24 — W. W. Nolen, Lowndes Associational Brotherhood President; W. A. Sims, Madison Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

November 25 — Mrs. Ingram Foster, Trustee, Mississippi College; W. P. McMullan, Trustee, Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

November 26 — State Music Festival, First Church, Jackson; George Causey, Trustee, William Carey College.

November 27 — Troy Prince, Education Commission; Rex Reed, Trustee, Baptist Foundation.

November 28—Mrs. W. G. McGill, Trustee, Blue Mountain College; Forrest Cooper, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage.

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## "Am I My Brother's Keeper?"

There's no more familiar story in the Bible than the one which has Cain and Abel as characters. Cain, a sinner and a lying murderer, asked God, "Am I My Brother's Keeper?" People who are consecrated Christians always answer that question in the affirmative since Christians live under the principle that "I am my brother's keeper." Virtually every program Baptists foster is centered around the philosophy of life. There would not be colleges, seminaries, hospitals, foreign, home and state mission programs, orphanages, or even churches if Baptists did not believe in this principle of the brotherhood of man and the fatherhood of God.

The Baptist Orphanage of Mississippi exists because Baptists of this state feel that they are the "keeper" and protector of homeless children who need help. It was founded at a time when orphaned children had no place to go. The need was great in 1864 and 1894. It is still great today in the year of 1954.

Thanksgiving is an appropriate season for Christians to reiterate their belief in the principle that they are their brother's keeper. Demonstrate your belief in this principle with a worthy offering to the Baptist Orphanage. Child Care is the Lord's Work and Mississippi Baptists are systematically and prayerfully providing the expenses

for our own Baptist Orphanages. Great strides of advancement in teaching children have been made. Our child caring institutions have kept pace in all new methods. In addition to this training, each staff member is a sympathetic, kind and considerate Christian. A few popular writers have played through the emotions of the public mind and left it scarred with a warped and twisted conception of an orphan child and the home to which he must go. The children living in our Home today will give to the world the truth. Without any complex to their background or heritage they will take their place in society as doctors, teachers, nurses, ministers, housewives and mature citizens. They will rightly boast of the Home that opened the door to them and they will return

often to visit the place of their childhood. We invite you to make us a visit and come to see us any time you may wish. At this THANKSGIVING SEASON is your opportunity to assist with this very worthwhile ministry. Remember the needs of your own Baptist Orphanage by sending a contribution of food and clothing as well as a Cash Offering. Be sure that your Church will be numbered among the group of faithful ones who will not overlook nor neglect this opportunity for service. (Adv.).

—BR—

We realize more and more that the work we do is a joint work, that we can only do what you help us to do through your prayers, your gifts, and your coming to share in this task.—Roy B. Wyatt, Jr., missionary to Spain.

J. E. LANE, Business Mgr.  
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A. L. GOODRICH,  
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"MISSISSIPPI FOR CHRIST"

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OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION

Jackson, Miss.

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Faithfully yours,

CHESTER L. QUARLES,  
Executive Secretary-Treasurer,  
The Mississippi Baptist Convention.

## BLUE MTN. GETS TWO SUBSTANTIAL GIFTS

In addition to the \$30,000 check from the Mississippi Baptist Convention, Blue Mountain College is to receive \$10,000 from the G.M. & O. railroad.

The gift was made known in letters from President H. M. Hicks, of the G.M.&O. Railroad and Boyd Campbell, Jackson, chairman of the Committee of Directors of the G. M. & O. — Tigrett Foundation. They stated that at a meeting of the committee in St. Louis it voted unanimously to make a contribution of \$10,000 to Blue Mountain College. The contribution will be made on the condition that the College raise from other sources an additional \$40,000. and that the total so raised shall be used for capital or endowment purposes.

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Nehemiah was a successful administrator. As a leader of God's chosen people, he is a worthy example for present-day pastors who are called to be overseers of churches. Though he lived centuries before the church age, and was never called a pastor, yet his personality and leadership qualities entitle him to be called a worthy minister's model. The task that confronted Nehemiah was as complex and as formidable as the most difficult church situation of today. And as God was able to win then, so He is now with courageous and obedient servants." Thus writes Stanley E. Anderson in the preface of his book NEHEMIAH THE EXECUTIVE. He says that the book of Nehemiah abounds in practical counsel for pastors, churchmen, churches, and nations of today—that it sets an example of administrative sagacity for all executives. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from Van Kampen Press, Wheaton, Illinois for \$2.50. Anderson is also the author of EVERY PASTOR A COUNSELOR and other books.

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In one of the towns where we held a service with our persecuted Baptist group, we had to do our singing with the doors and windows and shutters closed, because the sound of evangelicals singing hymns is "offensive," so far as the ecclesiastical authorities are concerned; and in this particular town, our church has the choice of either not singing, or singing with the doors and windows closed. And, you know as well as I do that when Baptists get together for a worship service they have to sing. There's just no way around it. So sing we did, wet with the perspiration produced by the crowding of believers into a tiny room with no ventilation on a July night in southern Spain. Now I have to tell you what a deacon of that church told me. He said, "Senor Mefford, the police have chased us from house to house. . . Whenever we go to another place to have our services, immediately the police know about it, and they come and begin to give us trouble, or even forbid us to meet again in that place. So we just change places. I don't know how many times we have changed our place of meeting, but this one thing I know: someday, they will get tired and give up. But we never will!" And I believed that man.—Joseph W. Mefford, Jr., missionary to Spain.



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## Foreign Mission Board Reports To the People

Executive Secretary  
Baker J. Cauthen

### FOREIGN MISSION BOARD REPORTS TO THE PEOPLE

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, in its semi-annual fall meeting in Richmond, October 12-13, elected Dr. Frank K. Means secretary for Latin America; adopted a budget of \$7,140,000 for 1955, the largest in the 109 years' history of the Board and an increase of \$670,000 over the budget for 1954; appointed 15 young people for overseas service; set the enlargement of its overseas staff to 1,000 missionaries as a goal to be reached by the end of 1955; and appropriated approximately \$130,000 for capital needs and equipment on its foreign fields.

The Tuesday evening session of the Board meeting, the session when new missionaries were appointed, was held in the auditorium of the First Baptist Church and was attended by a large number of Baptists from Richmond and vicinity, including the board of missions and education of the Baptist General Association of Virginia which adjourned its sessions to be present.

#### Open Doors To East Africa

The Board also recognized Africa as an area of critical need and asked that every available means be used to lay the responsibility of evangelizing the people of that continent upon the hearts of the members of Southern Baptist churches that the level of financial giving and of personal surrender may be lifted to meet new needs in Nigeria and to enter open doors in Kenya and Tanganyika, countries of East Africa. The recommendation asked the Southern Baptist Convention's committee on world evangelization of which Dr. H. Guy Moore, Fort Worth, Tex., is chairman to "earnestly address itself to the task of helping to implement this proposition."

This action regarding Africa was taken in view of the threat of Communism and the inroads of Islam and in the light of urgent appeals from nationals and missionaries. Dr. George W. Sadler, secretary for Africa, Europe, and the Near East, reported that a commission headed by Dr. I. N. Patterson, missionary in Nigeria, made a 10,000-mile survey of the countries of Kenya, Tanganyika, and Uganda in May this year. These representatives were well received, Dr. Sadler said; however, Church of England leaders did not approve the entrance of Southern Baptists into Uganda. "In Kenya and Tanganyika, there are open doors which we should enter immediately," he said.

#### Personal Need Is Acute

Advance in missionary personnel was the note sounded throughout the two-day meeting of the Board, beginning with the report of Executive Secretary Baker J. Cauthen, who briefly reviewed world events to illustrate the fact that this is a day for global thinking and strategy.

"In this day it would be tragic for representatives of the gospel

of Christ to think in limited local terms," he said. "We must measure what we do at any point in reference to its total world significance."

"The critical need is to advance in missionary personnel. At our present rate of appointment, whereby we have a net gain annually of only 45 missionaries, it will take us more than 17 years to attain a staff of 1,750.

"We are convinced that the rate of appointment must be greatly increased. As a very minimum we should look forward to doubling the number of appointments we are making annually, without in any way lowering the standards or reducing the quality of those who are appointed.

"There are more than 10,000 Baptist ministerial students enrolled in college and seminary. We must pray that many of these young men will offer themselves for the world mission task.

"We are convinced that if Southern Baptists see hundreds of their choicest young people surrendering for mission service, the financial undergirding to make their going possible will be provided.

"It is our hope that the nearly 30,000 churches co-operating in the Southern Baptist Convention will come to have in each one a prayer burden that God will call from their own congregation some who will actually go to the mission field.

"Such a concentration in prayer on the part of so many churches would produce a vast reservoir of volunteers for world missions and would bring incalculable spiritual blessings."

In conclusion, Dr. Cauthen said: "Only as Southern Baptists face the realities of our world responsibility can we keep in right perspective our Christian labor. Genuine but limited need close at hand must not make us overlook or be indifferent to overwhelming need at a greater distance. We Southern Baptists may determine our destiny by whether or not we see our world ministry in its right proportions.

"If we dedicate ourselves fully to the task of meeting world need, we will link hands with our Lord and be led by Him to the destiny He desires."

#### 1,000 Missionaries On Field Set As Immediate Objective

The vote to adopt the goal of 1,000 missionaries by the end of 1955 came at the end of a report by Rev. Elmer S. West, Jr., secretary for missionary personnel, who has recently returned to Richmond from a two months' trip to survey personnel needs in the Orient.

Mr. West said: "The need for new missionaries is overwhelming. More than half the people of the world live in the Orient. In this half-a-world of people there are fewer than 5,000,000 professing evangelical Christians—only a little more than half as many as are in the ranks of Southern Baptists."

"In the midst of calls for help from countries around the world temptation is to become so bur-

### Estes Denton Ordained



Ordination services for Rev. Estes Denton were held at Yellow Creek Church on Sunday, October 31.

Dr. John F. Carter, acting President of

Clarke Memorial College, lead in the ordaining service, assisted by Dr. James Clark, faculty member of Clarke College, with deacons of Yellow Creek and other neighboring churches.

Mr. Denton is known to many throughout the State for his Radio Ministry while managing Radio Station WMBC in Macon. He recently served as supply pastor at Enon and Deerbrook Churches in Noxubee Association, and he led Yellow Creek in its building program.

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### CHURCH SPLITS WITH BISHOP TOMLINSON

BINGHAMTON, N. Y. (RNS)—A local congregation of Bishop Homer A. Tomlinson's Church of God has split with the bishop and set itself up as a separate denomination.

Church officers said the decision resulted from Bishop Tomlinson's activities, especially his action last month at Greenville, Tenn., in declaring himself "King of All Nations of Meg."

The congregation, known until now as the Church of God, has renamed itself the Shiloh Christian Church.

Mrs. Welliver, once acting pastor of the Binghamton church, said she told Bishop Tomlinson the congregation would consider withdrawing from the denomination if the bishop declared himself "King of All Nations of Men."

The local church has an estimated 50 members. Mr. Welliver has ordained his wife and two other members of the congregation as ministers.

dened with needs that in an all-out effort to answer such calls we neglect to keep the standards of appointment high. . . . No more unwise approach to the present world crisis could be conceived. This is a day which demands the best. Only the person who is sound in body, mind, and spirit, well-trained and God-called can be sent.

"At the present time we have 939 missionaries under appointment. . . . When we look at the vast resources of manpower in our ranks of eight millions, we are convinced that Southern Baptists will not be content to keep creeping across the world in this fashion. I believe the greatest days of advance are yet ahead of us. Across this land—in the churches, the colleges, and the seminaries—there is a ground swell of interest and enthusiasm."

"It is our purpose to seek means by which each local church may be challenged to be a recruiting post for world servants. Recruitment at the grass roots through prayerful concern, sharing of information, and faithful witness will produce a miracle before our eyes."

### How To 'Tap' Material Resources For Christ Without An Unbiblical Doctrine Of Stewardship

BY W. E. GRINDSTAFF

With these words J. Leo Garrett of Southwestern Seminary sets forth one of the ten vital issues facing Southern Baptists.

What is the answer?

Those who would "tap" Baptists' material resources for Christ must first examine their own motives. Certain basic convictions must prompt those who would develop a giving church:

First, that the real purpose of biblical giving is not primarily to raise money but to develop strong Christians.

Second, that one great obstacle to revival is the current unscriptural attitude of many Baptists toward money.

Third, that tithing is a plan of God to bless mankind and to make the tither a partner with the Almighty.

Fourth, that Baptist material resources can be "tapped" scripturally if the leaders follow tested plans and depend on God.

Fifth, that one of the world's great needs is for churches filled with generous great-hearted Christians who will take the gospel to the world.

With these basic convictions in mind let me suggest ten important steps which may help Southern Baptists meet this vital issue:

1. Keep constantly before the people those fundamental biblical facts about tithing which produce radiant Christians and make giving a pleasure.

2. Clear the confusion which surrounds storehouse tithing and lead many tithers in name only to become tithers in truth.

3. Enlist, organize, and train consecrated tithers to win others to tithing by personal conversation.

4. Provide people with answers to all the arguments against tithing but show them the futility of debate.

5. Give careful attention to the building of a well-rounded budget which suggests a fair and equitable division of the money to be received.

6. Prepare a positive program of publicity and promotion for the budget annually. If this is part of a detailed step by step stewardship campaign the church can expect financial receipts to be greatly increased.

7. Silence the secular and stress the centrality of Christ by conducting a Christ-centered Every Member Canvass for pledges.

8. Play up the Cooperative Program as the plan by which Baptists may support every work, organization and activity of the denomination.

9. Emphasize stewardship after death. Help every Baptist to consider what will happen to his estate when his journey is ended.

10. The best way "to tap" the material resources of Baptists for Christ without adopting an unbiblical doctrine of stewardship is through the Sunday school.

Baptists who can build a Sunday school have few financial problems. Increase in giving is automatic with enrolment of new members. After enrolment the process of teaching Bible stewardship need never be interrupted.

Try these ten suggestions if you

would "tap" the material resources of Baptists.

Editor's Note: W. E. Grindstaff, Oklahoma City, Okla., is assistant executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma.

This is one in a series of articles discussing some of the problems of Southern Baptist life. The opinions of Grindstaff are his own and do not necessarily reflect the views of the editor.

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### THE GAME WAS CALLED

On Thursday, October 14, just as Billy Graham got up to preach, it rained and he dismissed the great crowd assembled at Pelican Stadium in New Orleans because many in a humorous vein called and asked whether their "offering" would be returned in as much as "no game" was played, the next night Reverend N. H. Melbert, pastor of First Methodist Church, in taking the offering, said:

"We got in 4½ innings which constitutes a game. It opened with Ted Smith at piano and Paul Mickelson played the organ; Cliff Barrows batted the choir around, Bev Shea came up and made a hit. A visiting Presbyterian appealed to The Great Umpire and a visiting team in the dugout back of the piano cheered with loud Amens. Dr. J. D. Grey did the pitching and the ushers did the catching. Bev Shea got another hit and Cliff Barrows 'homered' with the choir on its feet. Grady Wilson had already reviewed the rules of faith and practice from The Book. Then up came Billy Graham, and the rains fell. The game was called on account of dampness. The Presbyterians and Methodists 'trickled' out but the Baptists waded out, hoping to 'come up out of the water.' The lights went out and the crowd dispersed."

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### Negro Baptist Convention Gains 148,299 Members

CHICAGO (RNS) — Dr. J. H. Jackson, president of the National Baptist Convention of the USA, Inc., reported here that the denomination, largest Negro religious organization in the world, gained 148,299 new members in the past year to attain a total of 4,557,436.

There were 4,526,847 on the convention's rolls at this time last year but 117,730 members were lost by death and other causes, the report said, leaving a net gain of 30,569. Total value of property owned by the denomination's more than 30,000 member churches was reported at \$125,408,500.

During the period, Dr. Jackson's report said, there were 2,207,348 students enrolled in the convention's Sunday schools and 16,031 in its daily vacation Bible classes. The denomination has 40,000 ministers.

The convention will celebrate its Diamond Jubilee at its 75th annual meeting to be held in Memphis, Tenn., next September.

Dr. Jackson is pastor of Chicago's 15,000-member Olivet Baptist Church.



## Doctrinally Speaking: Perseverance Of Saints

By ROBERT S. SCALES

It was an insurance company's road sign, but its key words expressed greater truth than that for which they were meant. There they were in bold letters, easily readable while driving down the highway at a rapid speed, "Security by Contract." That applies in a limited way to the person who is insured, but it is the amazing lot of every Christian. He has security, eternal security, by contract.

The Christian's contract reads, "I give unto them eternal life and they shall never perish." "He that heareth my word, and believeth on Him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." "Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the Lord upholdeth him with his hand."

This is just a part of the contract, all of which agrees to the same eternal security. There is no fine print that abrogates or cancels out a single one of these assurances.

No contract is greater than the contractor. His integrity, his ability to fulfill his obligations are vital to any agreement. Can any question the integrity of God? "He is faithful that promised." "Which of you convinceth me of sin?" A father promised his wife and children that he would remain sober, bring home his pay, and provide for them a happy Christmas. He lacked integrity and Christmas eve foodless and giftless little children watched their drunken and penniless father stumble home. But God is faithful. His honesty is impeachable. He will fulfill His part of the contract.

Some have made contracts with the best intentions, and have honestly sought to fulfill them, but have been incapable of doing so. God has the ability to fulfill any contract he has made. When He contracted to keep us from falling He knew that He is greater than all and no man could pluck us out of His hand.

This contract is so marvelous that I fear no one could be convinced of its reality except it were written. It is written. It is in black and white on the pages of God's book. You do not have to question if your ears have heard this wonderful news correctly. Hour by hour, day by day, throughout the years you can examine it in its written form.

A friend once left his Bible at the church. I picked it up to see if there was a name in it that I might return it to its owner. There on the fly leaf I saw a contract this friend had made with God—and it was signed in his own blood. God has signed His contract for our eternal security in the precious blood of His Son, our Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ.

(Editor's Note: Robert S. Scales is pastor of the Trinity Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Okla.)

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The many friends of Rev. G. C. Sansing sympathize with him in the serious and exceedingly critical condition of his son, David, who is a patient at the Baptist Hospital, Jackson.

## Catholic Ignorance

By EMMETT McLOUGHLIN

Editor's Note: Mr. McLoughlin, author of *People's Padre*, was for 14 years a Franciscan priest at St. Mary's Church, Phoenix, Arizona, and is now superintendent of Memorial Hospital, Phoenix.

A religious editor reprinted an address that I had given in Washington regarding my reasons for leaving the Catholic priesthood. He received a letter from a devout Catholic threatening to kill him.

A small paper in Arizona reviewed my book "*People's Padre*." Several Catholics cancell-

ed their subscriptions. One stormed into the office and upbraided the editor in person.

"Have you read the book?" the editor asked. "Of course not," was the answer. "It's just a pack of lies and I won't have such filth in my house—nor anything connected with it—such as your paper."

A woman wrote from California: "It was first Lucifer, then Martin Luther, and now you. God should strike you dead." I have received thousands of such letters from Catholics.

These actions and statements are not only pitifully un-Christian, they are stupid. But we should not be surprised.

We know, of course, that illiter-

acy is much greater among Catholics than among Protestants. In some Catholic countries it is as high as 80 per cent. The Mexican government, since the great revolution, has been concentrating on public education. But President Cortines, on taking office, pledged to further reduce the 50 per cent illiteracy that still blights his nation.

But there is hope. Many American Catholics, more American than Catholic, are thinking their way through the haze of indoctrination, with which the Catholic parochial school system enveloped them under the name of "education."

This is a sample from a letter


I have received:

"Many Catholics, myself included, have often felt the urge to leave the church. . . Your break is reassuring to those of us who are wandering around in a semi-quandry, feeling the need of making the break but being unable to take the initiative because of family ties and or for fear of making a mistake. . . Many of us will now be encouraged to question more and inquire further until we reach that stage of intellectual integrity and spiritual development when we can, with calm resolve, 'take our hand from the plow and turn back' without any qualms of conscience. . . I really envy you."

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